BND violated Israel ban — Spiegel

HAMBURG (R) — The German secret service (BND) violated an explicit decision by the government's security council by trying to ship military hardware to Israel, the news magazine Der Spiegel reported Saturday. The magazine said that in February the security council — Saturday. The magazine said that in February the security council — comprising security experts from the chancellery and the foreign and defence ministries — discussed an Israeli request for a Soviet air defence system, but expressed reservations about sending it either tanks or the SA-6 defence system. In March, the head of the security council informed the Israeli embassy and the German defence ministry of the decision to reject the request, Spiegel said. Nevertheless the BND went ahead with plans to send the equipment and never told police or customs authorities about the secret delivery, the magazine said. Last week, officials in Hamburg seized a thipment of vehicles bound for Israel. The Soviet-built hardware, requested by Israel's Mossad secret service for testing, was hardware, requested by Israel's Mossad secret service for testing, was supplied from stocks of the East German military, disbanded when Germany united last year, government officials here have said. The military trucks and air defence hardware were declared as "agricultural"



Palestinians continue peace marches

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AP) — In the occupied West Bank town of Jenin, over 1,000 Palestinians Saturday staged a peace march, chanting "Yes to peace" and carrying placards that said; "Alt of us for a just peace" and "Yes to a peace conference in Madrid." In the West Bank town of Nar Shams supporters of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatch faction scrawled on walls: "Whoever prevents the peace negotiations must give us an alternative." In East Jerusalem, dozens of Arabs gathered outside the Rockefeller Museum carrying olive branches and shouting peace slogans supporting the Madrid conference. Police dispersed the group and detained two demonstrators. Only Gaza City in the Gaza Strip remained under curfew, Saturday, the army command said. On Friday, the Israeli strusy command clamped curfews on Palestinian towns throughout the West Bank and on Gaza City, confining over 300,000 Palestinians to their homes until Sunday. In the West Bank city of Ramallah, over 400 Palestinians marched in support of the conference with olive branches and balloons as cars honked support, Arab reporters said. balloons as cars honked support, Arab reporters said.

Volume 16 Number 4845

AMMAN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1991, RABIE' ALTHANI 26, 1412

Price: Jordan 100 fils; Sandi Arabía 1.50 rivals; UAE 1.50 dirhams

2 killed, 4 injured in **Belfast blast**

BELFAST (R) — Two people were killed and at least four injured when an Irish guerrilla bomb blast ripped through the military wing of a Belfast hospital Saturday. The explosion devastated the hospital where British soldiers and police injured in the fight against Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrillas are treated. The IRA said in a call to a Belfast radio station that it was responsible for the explosion. A hospital spokesman said two people were killed and four, including a child, were injured. Witnesses said they believed several more people may have been hurt. Fire crews rushed from all over Belfast to the scene of devastation but rescuers had to be held back at one stage for fear of a ruptured gas pipe. The hospital is kept under tight security to prevent guerrilla attacks by the IRA with a perimeter fence surrounding the military wing.

Georgia halts registration of parties

MOSCOW (R) - Soviet Georgia, in a step apparently aimed against fledgling opposition movements, has halted the registration of new political parties, a local journalist said Saturday. He said the Georgian parliament voted Friday to suspend a law it passed in August allowing new parties to register. The suspension, prompted by a request from the Georgian prosecutor's office, appeared directed against the National Independence Party and National Democratic Party, both fierce opponents of President Zviad Gamsakhurdia. The opposition has been locked in a trial of strength with Mr. Gamsakhurdia for the past two months, accusing him of acting like a dictator and trampling on the rights of ethnic minorities.

moroccan students to stand trial

RABAT (R) — Dozens of leftist and Muslim fundamentalist Moroccan university students will stand trial next week after clashes in which more than 40 people were seriously hurt, lawyers said Saturday. A total of 20 students from the leftist Kaividine movement and supporters of the out-lawed Adl Wal Ishan Muslim fundamentalist movement had been charged with disturbing the peace and assault in Oujda, they added. A further, 26 had been charged in Fez, home of Morocco's largest university with 80,000 students, they said. Fifteen hospitalised students also risked being brought to court (see page 2).

Sudanese leader in Libya

NICOSIA (R) — Sudan's milit-

ary leader Omar Hassan Al shir arrived in Tripoli Saturday for talks with Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi on the Middle East peace conference, opposed by both countries. "The visit falls in the framework of continued consultations ... particularly given the current critical period which the Arah Nation is going through," the Libyan news agen-cy JANA quoted Lieutenant-General Bashir as saying on arrival. Several anti-Madrid peace conference demonstrations were held in Libya and Sudan in the past three days. JANA said Colonel Abu Bakr Younis Jaber, a member of Libya's Revolution Command Council, greeted Gen. Bashir at Tripoli airport. Libya and Sudan signed an integration agreement in March 1990 to prepare for a full merger of the two countries by 1994.

Greek premier leaves Turkey

ISTANBUL (R) - Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis left Istanbul Saturday after an eight-hour visit to attend the en-thronement of Bartholomew I as patriarch of the world's 250 mil-lion Eastern Orthodox Christians. Mr. Mitsotakis headed a 130-strong delegation of ministers, members of partiament and senior officials. The patriarchate has been based in Istanbul for 1,500 years. Barthologiew was elected on Oct. 22 to succeed Dimitrios I, who died on Oct. 3

Bilateral talks begin in Madrid today

Jordanian-Palestinian delegation to meet Israeli team; snags remain over Syrian-Israeli talks but prospects good Focus of joint team's discussions today to be venue for further talks

Special from Madrid

A JOINT JORDANIANPALESTINIAN delegation. on a venue for holding the sepameets with an Israeli team Sunday in the second phase of the Middle East peace process laun-ched with a three-day conference which adjourned Friday but last-minute snags remained over bilateral Syrian-Israeli talks.

The delegation, which will have five Jordanians and five Palestinians and headed by Abdul Salam Majali, will meet with a five-member Israeli team at the Palacio de Parcen and the first item on the agenda is ex-pected to be the finalisation of a venue for bilateral talks to deal with the essential elements of the Arab-Israeli conflict in their various dimensions.

In addition to Dr. Majali, the Jordanian team will comprise Awad Al Khaldi, Abdul Hafez M'raie, Walid Khaldi and Mohammad Adwan. The composition of the Palestinian or

Israeli delegation was not im-

mediately known. rate bilteral talks between the Jordanian side of the delegation and Israelis and the Palestinian side and Israelis.

The joint delegation will split into Jordanian and Palestinian sides after the first round of talks, but a Palestinian delegate will be included in the Jordanian side and vice-versa.

Syrian Foreign Minister Farouq Al Sharaa was meeting Dr. Majali late Saturday for coordination ahead of Sunday's meeting amid reports that he had left the Spanish capital amid a lingering conflict over the venue for Syrian-Israeli bilateral talks.

Israel, in a bid to secure what it sees as another inch of legitimacy in the Arab eyes, is insisting that the talks switch to the Middle East, rotating between the concerned Arab state and the Jewish state. The Arabs are resisting this prior to reaching specific agree-ments on the basic issues at stake.

Hopes were high that the Syrian-Israeli conflict over venue would be settled Saturday night and the two sides could meet Sunday. Spanish officials said they had set aside part of their foreign ministry to host the talks.

A technical institute in the heart of Madrid has been designated for the Lebanese-Israeli

The U.S. has said that the bilateral talks should begin within 10 days after adjournment of the peace conference.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, who is scheduled to leave Madrid Sunday, was playing golf Saturday but his senior aides were closely involved in trying to sort out the Syrian-Israeli dispute over venue for talks.

Another Syrian position opposed by the Israelis is that all the separate bilateral talks be Other suggested compromise

approach, saying that the talks held at the same building so that should be held in a neutral venue the Arab sides could coordinate. The Israeli resons were apparent in remarks by Deputy Foreign Minister Benjamin Netanyahu that the Arabs were unlikely to make concessions if they were allowed to consult each other

during the negotiations. "You will only get the lowest common denominator, and I mean the lowest," he told repor-

Informed sources said Cairo was losing its bid to host the four separate sets of bilateral talks -Jordanian-Israeli, Palestinian-Israell, Syrian-Israeli and Lebanese-Israeli - as the Arab sides remained firm on their posi-

Syria was also not very enthusiastic about Washington as the venue, apparently because of fears that the powerful pro-Israeli lobby in the U.S. could influence the course and outcomes of the. discussions

Yasser Arafat. Mr. Husseini who is also over-



Abdel Selem Majeli

all head of the Palestinian side of the joint delegation, and Dr. Ashrawi had been excluded from the negotiators, but are directing the actual negotiating team.

The first issue to be discussed Sunday will be the venue for holding the bilateral talks," Dr. Majali told the Jordan Televi-

We'd rather have Madrid as everybody, but we have no objection to moving the talks to any nentral capital, whether in Europe or elsewhere," be said.

"The venue might be changed again after the talks start," he said.



Haider Abdel Shaff

Haider Abdul Shafi, head of the Palestinian negotiators, underlined the coordination between the two sides in the joint delegation and also emphasised the Palestinians' desire that Madrid remain the venue for the

Dr. Abdul Shafi reaffirmed that the basis for negotiations with Israel will be Security Counthe venue for reasons known by cil resolutions 242 and 338, which call for Israeli withdrawal from Arab territories it occupied in the 1967 war, and that the Palestinians do not oppose having an interim period of self-rule until Israel complete withdrawing from the occupied lands.

Israeli politicians pessimistic

TEL AVIV (AP) - Israel's right-wing agriculture minister and a leader of the opposition Labour Party had little hope peace talks.

The two spoke as disagreement was reported from Madrid over whether to return to the bargaining table with Israel to disccuss arrangements for keeping the Middle East peace talks going.

Syria insists on a delay of several days following the first stage of the conference that wrapped up

The head of Israel's govern-ment press office, Yossi Olmert, speaking to Israel army radio from Madrid, said he was beginning to doubt Syrian readiness to participate in the peace talks.

"If there is really Syrian readiness to go through with this process as agreed on beforehand, this looks to me today much less clear than it did, than I hoped it would look even three days ago," Mr. Olmert said.

Agriculture Minister Rafael Eytan, head of the right-wing Tsomet Party, asserted that the Arabs proved in their speeches that they have no honest intentions for peace" and called any hope of the conference leading to peace an "illusion."
"They (the Arabs) have no

intention of negotiating in order to achieve something and I don't think the Americans will be able to force them to change their positions," he said.

Ou the other hand, if the Americans pressure Israel to make concessions "then they will use pressure, but if as a result of their pressure there is a move towards the radical Arab positions, it will be the destruction of the state of Israel," Mr. Eytan

Yitzhak Rabin, a former de fence minister and number two in the opposition Labour Party, saic Israel had two major problems to address: Syria and the Palesti-

But he said: "I don't see yet Syrian readiness, also it is clear that the Syrian-Israeli issue has more numerous and complicated stambling blocks. Therefore I see difficulty in this issue and doubt there will be progress."

"If the present government wants to progress towards peace where they can, they must first start with the Palestinians and try to detach any connections be-tween the Syrian issue and the Palestinian one," Mr. Rabin added on furael army radio.

But Mr. Rabin said he had no

real hopes that peace would be

Syria keeps Israel guessing

MADRID (Agencies) — Syria, accusing Israel of demanding everything for nothing, kept the Israelis guessing Saturday on when it would meet them face-toface for the first direct peace talks between the Middle East's most risms to stay in the talks. implacable foes.

nane said be could not comment on reports that Syria would follow a Lebanese and a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegations in holding separate Sunday meetings with Israel in Madrid.

Faroug Al Sharaa, who took the hardest Arab line against Israel at this week's Madrid peace conference, said Friday night no date had been set for a meeting.

Palestinian and Jordanian delegates have said there are differences between them and the Syrians on how to proceed with the "bilaterals," which mark a new step towards symbolic recognition of the Jewish state.

A Palestinian-Jordanian team will definitely meet the Israelis on Sunday morning for a session devoted mainly to the issue of where the talks should take place

The Israelis, keen to win acceptance in the Arab World, want the talks to alternate between Israel and locations in each of the three neighbouring Arab Arab diplomats, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the dispute would be settled by the end of the day. They said Egyptian and Saudi Arabian officials were trying to persuade the Sy-

Egyptian President Hosni Saturday that he believed the bilateral talks would begin on schedule Sunday in Madrid, and predicted they would continue

U.S. officials and some Arab Syrian Foreign Minister officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, have said Washington could be offered as a compromise locale if the parties cannot agree to stay in Madrid.

The Arabs, citing the need for a neutral venue, want the talks to stay in Madrid ontil Israel makes substantial concessions on occupied territory.

Palestinian delegates said they thought the Syrians would eventually meet the Israelis Sunday. as envisaged in the U.S.-Soviet invitation to the Madrid confer-

Syria's relactance to give a

straight "yes" was part of a game of brinkmanship exacerbated by the bitter exchange of words be-tween Syria and Israel at the conference on Friday, they said. If they miss Sunday, the peace process could be derailed. The Israeli delegates plan to leave on

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir started the tirade by deacribing the Syrian government as "one of the most oppressive, tyrannical regimes in the world."

Mr. Sharaa retorted by showing the conference a 1947 sought by British authorities in mandated Palestine in connection with assassinations and acts of violence by the extremist Stern

gang headed by Mr. Shamir. The Syrian government newspaper Tishreen said Saturday Israel was trying to undermine the peace process by stripping the talies of substance.

"He (Mr. Shamir) was insolent enough to demand everything without even pledging to give anything in return. He wants security, land and peace, and he asks the Arabs to be content with

capitulation," it added.

If Israel persisted, the United
States and the Soviet Union, cosponsors of the Madrid conference, should hold the Jewish state responsible for wasting a "historic opportunity," it said.

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has tried to minimise the damage from Friday's bitter

He has been trying to bring the Arabs and Israelis to agreement

(Continued on page 3)

Fears of Israeli attack grow in South Lebanon suggests

KFAR RUMMAN, Lebanon entrances to Kfar Rumman, (Agencies) — Israel shelled Official sources quoted South Lebanon for a fifth consecutive day and expelled residents from a village Saturday, cials in Madrid and asked stoking fears that it was planning border "security zone" attack resistance fighters.

rus, according to sources.

The Arab sides are also an-

and that the peace conference, co-sponsored by the U.S. and the Soviet Union, could be recon-

The Palestinian side will dis-

cuss with their Israeli interlocu-

tors all aspects of the Palestinian

dimension of the Arab-Israeli

conflict, while the Jordanian side

will focus on the Jordanian

Unconfirmed reports said Fais-al Husseini and Hanan Ashrawi,

head and member respectively of

a Palestinian "gnidance commit-tee," had left for Morocco for a

meeting with Palestine Liberation

Organisation (PLO) Chairman

vened by consensus.

Israeli soldiers using loadspeakers ordered residents of the southern village of Kfar Rumman two kilometres west of the panicstricken villages to fice (see page

Muslim fundamentalist sources said Israeli helicopters dropped leasiets in the nearby southern market town of Nabatiyeh, asking civilians and the Lebanese army to leave. As the rumble of Israeli tanks

echoed through the hills on the edge of the "security zone" Lebanon's government urged the United States to pressure the Jewish state to stop its attacks. "An atmosphere of war is hanging over South Lebanon af-

ter the Israeli warning and bom-bardment," a security source

In Beirut, President Elias Hrawi called army chiefs for emergency talks to discuss developments in the south. The Lebanese army moved up tanks and reinforced troops at eastern

Official sources quoted by Reuters said Foreign Minister Faris Bonez had met U.S. offi-Washington to pressure Israel to South Lebanon.

"We have received disturbing reports as if Israel is ready for an operation in the south," said an official source. "Israel created this atmosphere to pressure the Lebanese government."

Lebanon, one of the partici-pants at the Madrid Middle East peace conference, demanded an Israeli withdrawal from its territory as part of any regional settle-

The highest ranking Shiite cleric in Lebanon, Sheikh Mohammad Mehdi Shamseddine, urged President Hrawi's government to ask for a meeting of the U.N. Security Council to consider the grave situation in the south."

An Israeli spokesman said Israel's army would do whatever was needed to "protect" its northern border. The Israelis bombed targets in

southern Lebanon for three days following two guerrilla attacks in the "security zone" in which three soldiers were killed and

(Continued on page 3)

proposed meeting had been favourably received by the evenfull Arab summit. urged the Arab countries to take called "Israeli intransigence."

media, political and diplomatic battle," Mr. Arafat told journalists after a meeting with Tunisian President Zine Al Abidine Ben

Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital," Mr. Arafat said. The joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation meeting with Israeli negotiators Sunday will again urge an end to the building of Jewish settlements in the occupied territories, Mr.

said. "It should be debated before any agreement about an

Mr. Abed Rabbo called for the

Palestinian negotiators will propose that the occupied territories be put under international supervision for one year before coming under Palestinian

of the PLO Executive Council

(Continued on page 5)

Syrian performance in Madrid seen as major morale booster for Arabs

By P.V.Vivekanand Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN - The hardline hut diplomatic approach Syria adopted at the Madrid peace conference in present-ing its case and the vehemence with which it retaliated to the barbed attack from Israel are widely seen in Jordan as a big boost to Arab morale in the first all-round Arab-Israeli peace talks.

The firm demand that Israel return every inch of occupied territory and recognise the national rights of the Palestinian people as part of any peace settlement between the Arabs and the Jewish state has heartened many an Arab nationalist in Jordan and influenced many others who had been predicting a meek Arab stand in Madrid.

The Syrian presentation, made by Foreign Minister Farong Sharaa, "balanced the overall Arah response to the Israeli negative approach,

which was evident" in the addresses of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Thursday and Friday, said prominent lawyer and analyst Taher Hikmat.

"It was indeed the natural course of events," said Mr. Hikmat, a former minister, pointing out that in the general address to the conference on Thursday Mr. Shamir had not only kept himself away from referring to the essential "land-for peace" formula and issue of Palestinian rights but also sought to refocus attention on history.

The initial Syrian speech was totally diplomatic although very hard line insisting that no territorial compromise with Israel was possible. It was only after Mr. Shamir's tirade against Syria's human rights record and its treatment of its Jews that Mr. Sharaa dropped part of his diplomacy and pulled out a British-issued 1948 wanted poster for Mr. Shamir

and accused him of terrorism. Another analyst, also a for-Jordanian and Palestinian speeches to the conference did indeed present the Arab position and desire for a just and comprehensive solution to the four-decade-old Arab-Israeli conflict and the Palestinian problem based on the same principles as cited by Syria, "but they were in a

different tone." Although the objective of the conference is not to score points or to debate the rights and wrongs of any side involved in the Middle East conflict, said the analyst, there cannot be any escape from the fact that Syria was left with no choice but to respond in kind when Mr. Shamir accused it of being "one of the most tyrannica regimes in the world."

For many leftists and Arab nationalists who were disenchanted with the Syrian decision to join the anti-Iraq

coalition during the Gulf crisis, Mr. Sharaa's reiteration of his country's firm rejection of any territorial compromise with Israel and any solution short of full Palestinian national rights has gone a long way in redeeming itself.

But the analyst said he does not agree with this thinking. "The dynamics of the Iraqi-Syrian relationship are complex and there need not be any link between Damascus's positions vis-a-vis the Gulf crisis and the Arab-Israeli peace talks," he

Mr. Hikmat noted that Syria could have been trying to regain "its stature to fill in the fictional slot as the leader of the Arab World," but said that the fact that Syria has a lot at stake in the conflict with Israel could be an overriding factor in its stand at Madrid.

True, Syria could have been also seeking to restore its credibility from a pan-



Farong Al Sharas

Arab nationalist perspective but it also has its own priori-ties and system of thinking," said the lawyer referring to Israel's occupation of Syria's Golan Heights. According to Mr. Hikmat,

Syria's role in opposing the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait came as more of a rejection of the principle of occupation of other's territory by force and fell in line with the mainstream international thinking and hence it should not be seen as having any bearing on its policies in the pan-Arab

(Continued on page 5)

Arab

summit TUNIS (Agencies) — The Pales tine Liberation Organisation (PLO) has proposed that an Arab ummit be held soon to assess the Middle East peace process fol-lowing the Madrid conference,

Tunisia's official TAP news agency reported Saturday. Citing a statement by PLO Executive Committee member Yasser Abed Rabbo, TAP said the summit would involve Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and the PLO, with Saudi Arabia representing the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and Morocco representing the Arab Maghreh Un-ion (AMU).

Arab foreign ministers met ih Damascus to coordinate strategy before the Madrid conference opened last Wednesday. Mr. Abed Rabbo said the

tual participants and added that it would not preclude an eventual PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat

a united stand against what he "The Palestinian cause is going into a crucial stage marked by a

"Arab countries must come together to install a just and global peace and to establish a

Abed Rabbo said. "There can be no bargaining about this," Mr. Abed Rabbo agenda.

end of "repressive practices" by Israel in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, freedom for Palestinian prisoners, and the withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territor-

sovereignty, he said.

Mr. Arafat chaired a meeting

the Israeli fire.

overnight.

Kfar Rumman.

lah's main bases.

cement lines.

attacks Tnesday.

Iranian quoted as recanting on

Bush role in 'October surprise'

not.

refused to be named.

it was threatened," an army spokesman in Beirut said. He

Israel's arrogance in South Leba-

The warning capped three days

of Israeli air and artillery attacks

on the Nabatiyeh region that fol-

lowed escalating raids by fun-damentalist Muslim guerrillas on

the Israeli-occupied territory.
Israeli jets blasted Hizbollah

bases in the Nabatiyeh region

Friday and gunners shelled vil-

lages throughout the day and

Lebanon this year, targetted

bases around the village of Hab-

boush, a stronghold for the Ira-

nian-funded Hizbollah (Party of

God) three kilometres west of

The six raiding Israeli jet fighters also knocked down a road

bridge linking the Nabatiyeh re-

gion with the wooded apple province which houses Hizbol-

A police spokesman, who can-

not be named in line with regula-

tions, said the Israeli air attack

apparently aimed at hlocking

Hizbollah's supply and reinfor-

Tension escalated in South

Lebanon since extremist Shiite

guerrillas from various groups kil-

led three Israeb soldiers and

wounded 11 in two separate

rejection of the peace talks.

The attacks underscored their

Israel keeps about 1,500 troops

and trains a 3,000-strong local

ceived names... and I transmitted

them; some proved to be true

through research and others did

Rooald Reagan's presidential campaign conspired with Iran to

delay release of the hostages.

Mr. Bani-Sadr was president of Iran in 1980 and 1981 after which

he fled to France and formed an

exile group opposed to the gov-

President Jimmy Carter's Nation-

al Security Council staff, rekin-

died the controversy six months ago, saying he had information the United States arranged for

Israel to ship weapons to Iran.

In return, the Iranians were to

after the reelection bid by Mr.

Carter, thus spariog Mr.

Gary Sick, a former member of

It said he still believes that

The raid, Israel's 17th into

non," the spokesman added.

"The threat is an evidence of

Israel ousts residents | U.N. inspectors from Lebanese village may blow up

KFAR RUMMAN, Lebanoo ployed at Kfar Rumman's north-(AP) — The Israeli military ordered the Lebanese army and residents of this southern village to abandon it Saturday amidst escalating hostilities that coincided with the Middle East peace

Using loud speakers and machine-gun fire, Israeli gunners ordered all 10,000 residents of Kfar Rumman oot within 12 hours.

The army command in Beirut said its 50-man force would not withdraw from Kfar Rumman, which lies outside the southern strip of Lebanon that Israel has occupied since its 1982 invasion. No reason was given for the

expulsion. First notice came at 10:30 a.m. (0830 GMT), when Israeli gunners manning an out-post oo the hill next to the village sounded air raid sirens for 15 minotes.

Residents of Kfar Rumman just north of the market town of Nabatiyeh, gathered in the main square near the mosque to find out what was happening. The sirens were switched off

and loudspeakers from the Israeli outpost hlared orders to leave. To citizens of Kfar Rumman. The Israelis defence forces order yoo to evacuate your village along with Lebanese army elements deployed in it within 12 the statement said in hours." Arabie.

The statement was repeated twice and then the Israelis opened up with machineguns, causing a wave of panic but oo injuries

Hundreds of Kfar Rumman's residents loaded clothes, mattresses and other bousehold goods

into cars and fled. The Lebanese army force de-militia in South Lebanon.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Iran's

former President Abol Hassan

Bani-Sadr has taken back his

charge that George Bush

attended a meeting called to de-lay release of U.S. hostages in

-Iran until after the 1980 elections,

The exiled leader now says he

no longer thinks Mr. Bush was on

hand for such a meeting in Paris,

according to an article set to

appear in the Nov. 10 issue of the

Excerpts were released Friday.

The former Iranian president

has said in a 1988 interview in

Playbody magazine that Mr.

Bush who was then running for

vice-president led the American

side in secret Paris meetings with

officials from Tehran in October

Mr. Bush has denied being in

a magazine says.

New Republic.

Iraqi nuclear arms ern entrance did not respond to "The army doesn't withdraw if

whether Iraq was still concealing

part of its chemical arsenal. The

team had not found undeclared

munitions during short-notice in-spections to bunkers and storage

areas at the sites it visited, he

U.N. experts say poor safety standards have raised doubts over

whether Iraq should play a big role in the destruction of its che-

Most of the munitions are not

marked and in one incident, an

Iraqi soldier was overcome by the

nerve gas saran while destroying

a cannister be thought was emp-

A 50-member team of U.N.

inspectors — the biggest to visit

Iraq go far - is due to complete a

one-month survey at Muthans

next week. Bahrain is the field

headquarters for all the U.N.

teams visiting Iraq in line with U.N. ceasefire resolutions.

Israeli comments

Iraq's army newspaper said Fri-

day there was a double standard

on nuclear research in the Middle

East, applied to Arab countries

Al Qadissiya, the Ministry of

Defence daily, responded in an

editorial to comments in Madrid

by Benjamin Netanyaho, the

Israeli deputy foreign minister

who said Thursday that Iraq had

been building a thermonuclear

The paper said his words "con-

stitute a message to the Madrid

conference parties that means

that the issue of armament in the

Middle East does not include

Israel, but Iraq and any Arab

country which tries to acquire

nuclear technology."
Al Qadissiya said Israel's alarm

over Iraq's ouclear research prog-

ramme was linked to the allied

campaign to destroy its military

capabilities. Iraq has long said the

Gulf crisis and war resulting from

its occupation of Kuwait was part

verge of producing nuclear and hydrogen bombs is a means of depriving Iraq from its scientific capacities and imposing a guar-

dian over its sons' brains and

creations to keep it in the circle of

backwardness," the paper said.

the nuclear arms control agree-

ment and still refuses to open its

nuclear installations to interna-

tional inspection teams," Al

lear weapons, Mr. Netanyahu

When asked if Israel had ouc-

Qadissiya said.

"Tel Aviv still refuses to join

"Saying that Iraq was on the

of a Zionist conspiracy.

bomb "in its basement."

but not to Israel.

mical weapons.

BAHRAIN (R) — Thousands of leaking Iraqi chemical shells scattered over the entire country are too dangerous to move and will have to be destroyed on the spot, the head of a U.N. chemical inspections team said Saturday.

Swiss expert Bernard Brunner told Reuters at the end of a two-week mission to Iraq a quarter of the bombs, shells and rockets found by his team at six separate sites could not be taken to a central location as planned.

Allied bombing raids during the six-week Gulf war had scattered munitions and unexploded bomblets over a wide area at many sites, be said.

Thousands of shells and hundreds of bombs containing mustard and nerve gas would have to be destroyed on the spot — possibly be blowing them up, Mr. Brunner said. He did not give exact oumbers.

"Around a quarter of the munitions we saw cannot be transported — its too dangerous because some are leaking and some cao spootaneously explode," be said.

"They will have to be destroyed in place... one way would be to empty them, collect the agent and neutralise them by burning or chemical hydrolysis. Another way would be to use explosives to blow them up," be said. Mr. Brunner said the U.N.

special commission charged with eliminating Iraq's weapons of mass destruction would have the final say in how to dispose of the chemical arms, a task which could take up to two years.

Iraq's main chemical facility at Muthana, about 100 kilometres northwest of Baghdad, had been chosen as the central spot for the destruction. U.N. inspectors have found four times the amount of chemical agents initially declared

Mr. Bruooer said his 26member team had used helicopters to fly to six declared sites in Iraq — two in the north, one in, the southeast and three in the

Forced to wear full protective clothing most of the time, the inspectors found aerial bombs containing mustard gas and binary nerve agents, artillery shells filled with mustard gas, and rockets filled with nerve agents, he

"We visited some places where we couldn't count the munitions - there was ammunition blown up and lying around everywhere mixed with chemicals and scatdelay release of the hostages until after the reelection bid by Mr. bombardment," he said.

Mr. Brunner said he was drafting a letter asking Iraqi authorBritish politician seeks inquiry into Vanunu kidnap LONDON (R) — A British politician called on the govern-In a second motion to parliament Friday, made immune from

ment Friday to set up an inquiry into the kidnapping of Israeli ooelear scientist Mordechai Vanunu to Israel in 1986.

The motion to parliament by opposition Labour Party MP George Galloway revived a row be stirred up last week when he alleged that publisher Robert Maxwell and one of his top journalists had links with Israeli intelligence. Mr. Galloway said Mr. Vanunu

was "lured out of London to Italy, whereafter he was drugged, kidnapped and returned to Israel where he is currently serving a lengthy prison sentence in solitary cofinement."
Mr. Vanunu, 36, was convicted

by an Israeli court in 1988 of treason and espionage for seiling Israeli ouclear secrets to a British newspaper and sentenced to 18 years in prison.

Last week Mr. Galloway alleged that Mr. Maxwell and the journalist, Daily Mirror Foreign Editor Nicholas Davies, had links with Israeli intelligence and that Mr. Davies had passed on in-formation about Mr. Vanunu's

New orthodoxy patriarch installed

ISTANBUL (AP) - Bartholomeos I was formally installed as the 273rd ecumenical patriarch of the world's 300 million Orthodox Christians in a colourful ceremony on Saturday.

The bells at the See of the Eastern Orthodox Chorch pealed as Bartholomeos I walked ioto St. George Church to be elevated to the patriarchal throne.

The brightly lit church was filled with loreign dignitaries, clergymen from several other charches onder the spiritual guidance of Bartholomeos I, and visitors. Among the dignitaries was Greek Premier Constantine Mitsotakis.

The 51-year-old primate, elected patriarch Oct. 22 following the death of his predecessor. Dimitrios I, sat on a gilded wooden throne as members of the holy synod recited prayers and handed him the patriarchal scepter, symbol of his spiritual power and leadership. Accepting the scepter, Barth-

olomeos I expressed his thanks

possible libel charges by parliamentary privileges, Mr. Gallo-way called Mr. Davies a "brazen liar." The Mirror announced last week that Mr. Davies had been fired for lying over his contacts with an arms dealer.

Mr. Galloway's motion for debate "noted that Mr. Davies has been shown to have pursued arms deals of considerable dimensions over several years and several continents while masquerading as reputable British journalist." It said the dealings had been

pursued together with "Mr. Ari Ben-Menashe, who, during that period, served in the Israeli defence forces." Mr. Davies has admitted contacts with arms dealers but be and

Mr. Maxwell denied links with Israeli intelligence. Mr. Galloway also called on Mr. Maxwell to hold an independentr inquiry into Mr. Davies

actions. The allegations against Mr. Davies and Mr. Maxwell were first contained in a book about Israel's nuclear programme published last month by American journalist · Seymour Hersh.

and gratitude in Greek. The patriarch is the "primus inter pares" or "first among equals" of the five Eastern Christian leaders. He presides over 14 autonomous Orthodox eburches, including those of Greece, Albania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Romania and Russia.

The patriarchate dates from the Orthodox Greek Byzantine empire, which collapsed when the Ottoman Turks conquered Constantinople, today's Istanbul, io 1453.

The patriarch, who according to Turkish law, must be a Turkish citizen, has no political say in this country.

Ethnic Greeks, who numbered about 200,000 a generation ago, now make up only about 5,000 of the 57 million people io this predominantly Muslim but officially secular country.

The Orthodox patriarchs consider themselves descendents of the Apostle Andrew, while the Apostle Peter was the first head of the Roman Catholic Church.

Algerian fundamentalists put up show of strength

ALGIERS (AP) - More than 100,000 Muslim fundamentalists marched through this North African capital on Friday calling for an Islamic state in their first five months ago.

The march organised by the Islamic Salvatioo Front (FIS) signaled the movement's return to political action despite the jailing of its leaders who face military trials for inciting uprisings.

The first public show by the

front, the largest oppositioo party, came on the anniversary of the 1954 start of the Algerian war with France. It was the first massive demonstration since a state of emergency was proclaimed in June to put down fundamentalist

The state of emergency was bfted Sept. 29 ahead of Dec. 26 legislative elections, which had been postponed by the unrest. To cries of "Islamic state with-

out a vote" or "Islam is the only solotion," the demonstrators, streaming green and white banners, marched from the May Ist Square to Martyrs Square.

The two sites were controlled by fundamentalists during three weeks of strikes and unrest which led to the Jooe 5 state of

Helicopters surveying the marchers drew shouts of "Jihad."

Security forces stood guard, but no incidents were reported.

Some marchers cried, "Ali, Abassi, the front is doing well," a reference to the jailed president and vice-president of the froot Abassi Madani and Ali Belhadi, who face trial along with six other front figures. They were jailed in June along with thousands of others in a crackdown on the movement, which won muncipal elections io June 1990.

The turnout, estimated by some journalists at up to 300,000, appeared to disprove the notion that the froot had been decaptiated by the crackdown. President Chadli Benjedid post-

poned June 27 elections after fundameotalists elasbed with security forces in May and early June in a series of protest aimed at changing the electoral law, which clearly favours the ruling National Liberation Froot

Prime Minister Sidahmad Ghozali recently failed in his bid to get the law drastically changed, leaving the old law virtually in place before the Dec. 26 vote. Algeria's leaving the first multiparty vote for the national legislature since gaining independence from France in 1962. The FLN has held all seats in parliament since then.

MIDDLE EAST NEWS IN BRIEF

Chinese president ends visit to iran

NICOSIA (R) — Chinese President Yang Shangkun left Iran Saturday after a four-day state visit clouded by suggestions from Washington that Peking was secretly helping Iran to build a nuclear bomb. Mr. Yang, accompanied by a high-level political and economic delegation, flew home from the ancient city of Isfaban where he toured historical monuments on Friday. He was seen off by Finance Minister Mohsen Nourbakhsh. Mr. Yang and Iranian President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani pledged increased cooperation in all fields after talks in the Iranian capital Thursday. Mr. Rafsanjani shrugged off U.S. concerns about a suspected Iranian ouclear weapons programme. "The U.S. and its allies are not glad at our friendly cooperation and through propaganda campaigns are accusing us of clandestine cooperation to produce ouclear weapons," he said in remarks carried by the Iranian news agency IRNA. "They don't want to admit the reality that we intend to stand on our own feet in Asia," he said, adding: "We think the capacity for our cooperation in political, economic, commercial and technical fields is more than the present level." U.S. officials say Iran may be actively seeking to develop a nuclear weapon and has bought equipment from China capable of enriching uranium used in such arms. China said Thursday it was helping Iran develop nuclear energy for peaceful uses but denied that it was helping Iran develop ouclear energy for peaceful uses but denied that it was belping Tehran produce ouclear weapons.

Nine Turks die in coai mine cave-in

ANKARA (R) - Nine people digging for coal without permission were killed when a mine caved in Friday night in southeastern Turkey, the Anatolian news agency reported. Twelve people entered the mine, run by Turkey's state coal board, in the town of Sirnak to gather coal after the last shift ended works. Anatolian quoted Sirnak Provincial Governor Aydin Aslan as saying. Three people were seriously injured.

italian premier visits Morocco

MARRAKESH, Morocco (R) — Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti left Morocco Friday after a six-hour official visit for talks with King Hassan. Mr. Andreotti told reporters they discussed preparations for an official visit the king is due to make to Rome at the end of the month. He said the talks were very satisfactory. Diplomats said the discussions also covered Mediterranean affairs and a summit scheduled for early next year between 10 states bordering on the Mediterranean. Ministers from five North African states, Italy, France, Spaio, Portugal and Malta met in Algiers this month to study plans for economie cooperation around the Mediterranean. With Spain and the Soviet Union, Italy is a member of an international consortium building the Mjara Dam and hydro-electric power complex oo the Sebou River in north

Guerrilla rockets kill three in Kabul

ISLAMABAD (R) Afghan guerrilla fighters killed three people in Kabul Friday when they fired eight rockets at the capital, state-run Kabul Radio said. The rockets, fired from southeast of the city, landed in residential areas, said the radio, monitored in Islamabad Five people were injured. The guerrillas are fighting to overthrow the Kabul government. It controls the cities but much of the countryside is under guerrilla control.

Afghan guerrilia commander killed by shellfire

ISLAMABAD (R) — A senior Afghan guerrilla field commander was one of two people killed when a shell fired by government forces struck his vehicle in eastern Afghanistan, a Mujahedeen source said Friday. Gul Khan, who commanded at least 1,000 guerrilla fighters around the government-controlled city of Jalalabad. was killed Thursday about 20 kilometres from the city. He was one of the main guerrilla commanders who last month mounted an assault on Jalaiabad that failed to make much progress. Despite growing efforts to find a political solution to the 13-year-old Afghan war, many field commanders remain committed to trying to topple the Kabul government militarily.

Former Iran hostage 'brain dead'

ADELANTO (AP) - One of the Americans held hostage during the 1979 seizure of the U.S. embassy in Iran was shot in the head Friday in a struggle with a robber, authorities said. He later was declared brain dead. John McKeel, 38, was shot twice in the head in the confrontation in his apartment, police said. Mr. McKeel was taken to a hospital where a medical team was standing by to remove his organs for transplant, officials said. Mr. McKeel was a marine sergeant assigned to the U.S. embassy in Tehran when it was overrun by Iranian militants in 1979. He and 51 other Americans were held hostage at the embassy for 444 days. The incident began wheo a masked gunman accosted a woman as she walked from her car to ber apartment. She fought with the robber and pulled off his mask, then recognised him as a tenant in the complex, police said. The woman ran to McKeel's apartment. Mr. McKeel's wife, Trudy, manages the apartment complex, police said. The gunman followed the woman into the apartment and shot Mr. McKeel twice during a struggle, police said. Police arrested Anthony L. Maddox, 21, at an apartment he shared with his girlfriend, police said. Mr. Maddox was held without bail for investigation of murder and armed robbery.

Fundamentalist, Marxist students clash in Morocco

RABAT (AP) - Muslim fundamentalist and Marxist students clashed Friday at the university in Kenitra, injuring at least six people in the third such confrontation in weeks, student groups said. The National Bureao of Union Youth, a student union affiliated to an opposition Socialist Party, said students clashed at the School of Letters in Kenitra, 40 kilometres north of Rabat. The group blamed the troubles on the fundamentalists, claiming they want to create "an atmosphere of fear and terrorism" in Morocco's oniversities. The students are apparently fighting for control of the

Reagan's presidential campaign on "October surprise" that might gave the standard Israeli response the French capital at the time. ities to move the undamaged The article quoted Mr. Banithat Israel would not be the first turn voter support towards Mr. munitions to Muthana as soon as country to introduce nuclear Sadr in an interview at his home weapons to the Middle East. outside Paris as saying: "I repossible. Disposal is supposed to

Palestinian, Jews attending convention urge moderation BALTIMORE (AP) — Ao Arab-American leader appearing at a Jewish convention Friday appealed for moderation in the

Middle East and found an ally in

a Rabbi who said Israel was acting immorally in its treatment of Palestinians. "The sealing of homes, the death and injury of children who have nothing to do with rock throwing is not the Jewish way," said Rabbi Robert Samuels of Haifa, Israel. He referred to Israeli reaction to the Palestinian

"We are using power in non-Jewish ways," he said.

Arab lands

uprising against the occupation of

Khalil Jahshao, executive director of the National Associatioo of Arab Americaos, appeared with Rabbi Samuels and two other rabbis at a work-

JORDAN TELEVISION

Tel: 773111-19

........... News in English ... This Man,This Woman

PRAYER TURES

shop at the 61st General Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC).

form synagogues in the United States and Canada, and is one of the largest Jewish groups in the country. Reform Jews doo't adhere as strictly to Jewish law as do more conservative sects. Mr. Jahshan said the Palesti-

nian postion has changed since the 1960s, and there is now a large moderate Palestinian sector that supports a Palestinian state coexisting peacefully with Israel.

"There is a big gap of mis-understanding of Palestician yearning for its own state," said Mr. Jahshan, a Palestinian who grew up in Israel. "There has been a dynamic through which this conflict has been travelling. It's very important to keep that in

mind." Mr. Samuels, a member of an Israeli group called clergy for The group represents 846 repeace, said 35 to 40 per cent of Israelis are moderates who seek peace through compromise.

> "What we need to do is develop a politically moderate centre which will include part of the right and most of the left, which will then be a majority," Mr. Samuels said, "That will be a new stage in the dynamic."

The other rabbis at the workshop also urged compromise. But they said they were wary of what they called the Palestine Liberation Organisation's (PLO) past

"Is the PLO really to be trusted when it signs on the dotted line for peace?" asked Rabhi Michael Stroh of Thornhill,

Canada. "I ask these questions to point out that Israeli concern is real. Mr. Jahshan said Israel should

realise the PLO is the legitimate voice of Palestinians. "I understand their fears, but if

we are to have peace, we have to sit down as enemies. That's how you get peace," he said. "It's fine if it makes Israel more comfortable for us to send others, but we all know what's happening. It's the PLO that's over there. The head of the UAHC, Rabbi

Alexander Schindler, said before the convention began that Arab leaders in Madrid for this week's peace talks should "demonstrate that attitudes have changed, that the Arab World is willing to live in peace with Israel and make allowances for Israel's reasonable security needs."

JORDAN TIMES DAILY GUIDE AND CALENDAR

PROGRAMME ONE .Children's programmes CHURCHES . News News Sun Sports program Local program Programme review
..... News in Arabic Arabic series Programme review Local programme .29:30 21:30 mta Charch Tel: 622366 28543. PROGRAMME TWO Les Badaboks 771331. L'ecole des fan News in French Carnet de notes CR5326 News in Hebrer News in Arabic ... Golden Girls irder She Wrote

IL D

St. Joseph Church Tel. 624590. Church of the Annunciation Tel. 637440. Church Tel. 625383, Tel. Cutholic Church Tel.

The Courch of Jenn Christ of Latter-they Sainta Tel. 823824, 654932. Church of the Nazarune tel. 675691. WEATHER Bulletin supplied by the Department of

Rains are expected in the northern and central parts of Jordan and winds will be southwesterly fresh. In Aqaba, it will be dusty and partly cloudy and 16 / 29 Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 26, Aqaba 32. Humidity readings: Amman 29 per cent. Aqaba 23 per

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBER S **NIGHT DUTY** Abdui Qader Al Lala Bahjat Bader . 696048 . 849362 Dr. Nidal Issa 661912

... (—) . 985417 EMERCENCIES. 630341 192, 621111, 637777 Pire Brigade Blood Bank 891228 775121

630321

787111

Highway Police

Price Complaints Water and Sewerage Complaints

HOSPITALS Malhas, J. Ammas Palestine, Shracisan 664171/4 Simessan Hospital ... University Hospital ... Al-Mossher Hospital The Islamic, Abdali Al-Ahli, Abdali Italian, Al-Muhajree Al-Bashir, J. Ashrafi 667227/ 666127/3 777101/3

(09)983323 010230 Central America Telephone (09)900560 . 661101 773111 (02)275555 . 680100 . 815615 Electric Power 636381 ces Haya Hospital (03)314111 **POR THE TRAVELLER**

QUEEN ALIA **INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

This information is supplied by Royal lordnesian (RJ) information depart-ment at the Oueca Alia International Airport Tel. (08)53200-5, where is should always be verified.

ABBIVALS Royal Jordanian (RJ) Flights (Terminal 1)

Other Flights (Terminal 2)
10:25
10:50 Beirst, Rome (AZ)
16:00 Moscow (SU)
19:10 Lacraca (CY)
·
MARKET PRICES
Upperfower paice is fils per 15.
Oppositioned place in the party of
Apple 750 600
Buneau 500 / 450
Banana (Mukammar) 550 / 500
Beans
Cabbage
Captiflower
Cacumbers (large) 150 / 100
Cacumbers (small)
Egyplant
Garlie
Grapes 900 / 600
Guava
Lemon
Marrow (large)
Marrow (small) 320 / 260
Okra 850 / 750
Okra 850 / 750 Omion (dry) 180 / 120
Peopler (sweet)
Potato 300 / 250
Sage
Spanich
Sweet melon
10matoes
Watermelos 140 / 100

4Gove

De Principalità MERCHANIS OF THE Market Programme 18 PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PA BOTH THE THE STATE OF THE STATE

A STATE OF THE PARTY OF A STATE O the service Marian Training MIT NEW STREET STREET 1 Section of the sect TOTAL SECTION OF SECTI pency le illion to

griffen – Ta. griffen (2000-20

1 is in Track STOR TOP C and the state into : a a ipp citeri au Talent Control 15 מברל הבחום משני 15 - 15 Cart. granik (***** . A 1922 (* 15 16) Ber 120 200 rantice of the co 素型の ながれ

MENT HE SET OF

mar to

mprovi manian Cfini — Japan i THE STREET, THE ST Text of I. of The state of interned products ukina ndu en nyamed by atate of lacus ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಜ ಜ

Same offer Total tred Jan. the process w taken the sem Tei fatterias. ac Cabir President 1 A Line Third is a nat the products of iode locan lo com manes in the death said Mr.

Versitie Mories Port fro After - The ld Amb Univers the teld its a: thems the work

w offer fine

Sale TaireTaines i

dray territo AM AME Sect Mohammad E Beering in C A take to day Arab univer cion should posible backing eale them to and Dr. Dug ic Amman Smid27

Mich Which enescatative including Arab Is NU secr said. He said gaary general. Home

tellon unce And Lisab Mo the Ayoubide t of miliage

for Drug Indus

Princess Basma tours Irbid Governorate

day toured a guide gathering organised by the Department of Education in the Irbid region and urged the participants to intensify voluntary work through the scout

The Princess inspected the activities of the participants gathered at one of the forest regions in the Taybeh District within the Irbid

The Princess was briefed on the works of the participants, espe-cially in dress making, bookbind-ing, weaving and first aid services, and she told the female guides that voluntary work was bound to foster the sense of national belonging and deepen the values of society. The Princess expressed appreciation for the organisers' efforts and the various concerned government and private departments which contributed to the camp's activi-

The Princess was briefed by the government officials.

director of education on the types of activities carried out at the camp and said that the ministry of education's plans encourages team work and the concept of voluntary services. Princess Bas-ma watched a folkloric performance and distributed badges to the leaders of the guides.

Before visiting the camp, the Princess visited the Fatimeh Al Zahraa Comprehensive School for Girls in Irbid and opened an annual exhibition organised to mark His Majesty King Hussein's birthday this month.

Samples of the girls' works in painting, ceramics, needlework and handicrafts were displayed at

Princess Basma's next stop was at a school in Sooum where she inspected educational and extracurricular activities. She was accompanied on the topr in northern Jordan by Education Minister Eid Dahiyat and local

Agency lends JD 1.3 million to help farmers

AMMAN (Petra) — The Agrienltural Credit Corporation's (ACC) Amman branch has extended loans worth JD 1.3 million in the first 10 months of 1991. according to the branch director Ahmad Ahn Sil.

Mr. Abn Sil said the loans will be used by farmers in the reclamation of lands, digging artesian wells, purchasing agricultural equipment and establishing agricultural projects.

He said the Amman branch is still receiving applications from farmers who want to get financing for their agricultural projects.

The ACC board of directors,

Mr. Abu Sil said, has decided that the corporation pay part of the interest rates on the farmers debts to support the agricultural groups.

The corporation, he added, will be paying a percentage of the farmers', interest rates provided that the total value will not exceed JD 1,000 for loans which were extended in 1981 and were

not paid back until Ang. 31, 1991. Loans which were granted since November 1981 and were paid back before Aug. 31 1991 will also be exempted from parts of the interest rates to encourage occupation rule. farmers and to reward them for

paying back their loans on time. He said the ACC will exempt farmers who got loans before November 1981 and did not pay back the whole sum from percentages of the interest rates less than the above mentioned two

Seminar to discuss ways of improving quality of Jordanian products

AMMAN (Petra) - Japan's suc- Hassan at the opening session. cessful industrial experiment with the participation of 21 officials and responsible directors of quality of manufactured products in a number of Jordanian industrial companies, is the focus of a fiveday seminar organised by the Amman Chamber of Industry.

Japan's experiment in improving the quality of its products and various incentives offered to workers which helped Japan to attain industrial progress will be studied in-depth by the seminar, which started Saturday, according to Chamber President Khaldoun Abu Hassan.

Quality products is a national demand because products of high quality enable Jordan to compete with other countries in the international markets, said Mr. Abu in foreign markets.

The Chamber of Industry is willing to do all in its power to develop the national industry and to help upgrade quality, he said.

A sense of responsibility on the part of the workers and the factory owners is essential to achieve success in industrial schemes, he

The participants in the seminar will discuss the design and management of quality control of products and will study cases and experiments of successful industrial countries.

According to Dr. Mohammad Salameh Halaiqah, the chamber's director general, the meetings are designed to improve the quality of Jordanian commodities with a view to enabling them to compete

Universities in occupied territories to receive support from AAU

AMMAN (Petra) — The Association of Arah Universities (AAU), which held its annual council meeting in Qatar, has decided to revive the work of a special fund to offer financial support to the universities in the occupied Arab territories, according to AAU Secretary General Mohammad Faraj Dugheim.

The council meeting in Doha, Qatar, which lasted six days, decided that the Arab universities under occupation should be offered all possible backing and assistance to enable them to resist Israel's repressive measures and occupation, said Dr. Dugheim upon returning to Amman from

the meeting Saturday.

The meeting, which was attended by representatives of Arab universities including those in Israeli-held Arab lands, elected a new AAU secretary general for the coming four years, Dr. Dugheim said. He said that the new secretary general, who

will assume his position early next year, is Dr. Ihab Ismail. He will be assisted by Dr. Mohammad Adnan Souman and Dr. Ibrahim Shihadeh Al Khawajah.

The council decided at the meeting to recognise Spltan Qaboos University of Oman and the "Seventh of April" university of Libya and to admit them as full AAU members.

The AAU also decided to create a special information translation and publishing unit to offer services to Arab universities and to help in unifying terms used in

these institutions.
According to Dr. Dugheim, the AAU council accepeted an offer by the Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST) to hold the next council's meetings on its premises in the coming

According to Dr. Dugheim, representatives of 62 Arah universities and Arab, regional and international organisations attended the Doha meeting.

Home News in Brief

Excavation uncovers mosque

AMMAN (Petra) - Excavation works carried out by the Ministry of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs' Antiquities Department has uncovered "Listib Mosque" which was built west of the city of Ajloun in the Ayoubide-Mamlouki era.

Symposium to begin Monday

AMMAN (Petra) — A symposium on "Technical Cooperation Between Developing Countries in the Field of Developing Pharmaceutical Industries" will open Monday at the Arab Company for Drug Industries and Medical Appliances. Experts. from various countries and representatives of Arab health ministries will take part in the three day-symposium, which is organised by the United Nations Industrial Development Orgamisation (UNIDO).



His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Saturday addresses a seminar on asylum and refugee

Crown Prince calls for recognition of rights of stateless persons

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Saturday urged the international community to offer protection and justice to the Palestinian refugees and cited the Geneva Convention of 1949 as providing protection to all civilians under

"I would like to refer to the Palestinian refugee issue to remind the world of the fact that the refugees entitled to legal protection as their ordeal has become a serious problem, especially those refugees living under military rule in occupied Palestine," said Prince Hassan at the opening of a three-day seminar

on asylum and refugee law.

"The refugee problem has become complicated by the Israeli denial of the application of the Fonth Geneva Convention, which governs the protection of civilians during military occupa-tion," Prince Hassan said.

"All of us for the past 72 hours have been watching with great emotional intensity the activities in Madrid in the concept of the peace conference," said Prince Hassan. "I would like to say that vas interesting to hear the U.S Secretary of State in his closing statement referring to the need to humanise the regional issue. It is sad for me and millions others that the Arab-Israeli conflict or the Palestine-Israeli conflict has not been considered a conflict of

"It is important that we take full responsibility for the Arab-Israeli issue and in particular to bear in mind that the peace conference and the potential for a peace process is indeed a bilateral dimension and a multilsteral dimension," he said.

Prince Hassan referred to the U.N. agencies which have been beloing the refugees and urged the U.N. organisation's various agencies, including the U.N. High Commission for Refugees, to offer assistance to the Palestinian refugees, especially those in the camps.

"I urge the U.N. agencies to coordinate and to speak one language in terms of rights and obligations of the victims of war," the Prince said.

"On the issue of humanitarian intervention, the most complex issue to be raised here is the right or even the duty of humanitarian intervention towards the attempted establishment of safe haven and I would like to make it clear that minimum humanitarian standards applicable to war victims, refugees and displaced persons ould be respected in all circomstances, even if others are violating them," the Prince said. Referring to the consequences of the Gulf crisis, Prince Hassan said that many of the Palestinians who left Kuwait and many of the

the country of return was not home. Therefore, he said, it is misleading to use the term returnees, which seems to be more of a politicised media term. Prince Hassan said everyone has the right to a nationality and no one shall be asked to be

Arabia were second or even third

generation residents for whom

deprived of his nationality. "I would like to remind you of

the 1954 convention of the U.N. on the stateless persons which confirms minimum standards of treatment like access to security and the 1961 convention up the stateless which recommends that the stateless children should be granted the nationality of the state in which they were born," Prince Hassan said.

The meeting has been organised by the International Institne of Humanitarian Law (IIHL) in conjunction with the Jurdan National Red Crescent Society (JNRCS). The main goal of the seminar, the third of its kind, is to maintain and reinforce the dia-logue among Arab experts who are involved on the national and international level in humanitarian issues, especially in the protection of refugees and displaced persons including the respect of the fundamental human rights ofrefugees.

At least 40 Arab experts in international and refugee law are Yemenis expelled from Saudi taking part in the meetings.

Ministry reports surplus of JD 18.9 million, down from previous year

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply has reported surplus in income over its expenses in 1990 amounting to JD 18.9 million, down from JD 20.75 million in the pre-

vious year. The ministry also reported that the decline was mainly due to the Gulf crisis, during which the national economy was severely

A report released by the ministry said that the Kingdom suffers from a major trade balance deficit resulting from the devaluation of the dinar, despite an increase in the volume of exports by 51.5 per cent compared with 37.4 per cent in 1989. In 1990, national exports

amounted to JD 612 million while imports stood at JD 1.7 billion, according to the report.

Also in 1990, the volume of deposits in commercial banks declined as compared with figures released in 1989, the report said. Deposits in Jordanian banks last year stood at JD 2.6 billion, up by only 0.7 per cent over the

previous year. The report also noted a sharp increase in the prices of commodities during 1990 as compared with 1989. Average price increases reached 15.7 per cent over the 1989 figures, the report found. The report attributed the rise

in prices of almost all commodities to a decline in the value of the local currency. It said that food prices rose last year by 20.5 per cent, clothes and shoes by 30.2 per cent and housing and domestic needs by 11.3 per cent. Referring to the industrial sector, the report said that the Gulf JD35.7 million.

crisis dealt a crippling blow to the national industry, which mostly depended on Iraqi and Gulf states' markets. The industrial sector. was also hurt by the difficulty in acquiring raw materials for the manufactured products due to the delay of such products arriving at

The report pointed out that 1990 witnessed a growth in the production of potash, cigarettes, textiles, leather, detergents, iron, petrochemicals, paper, carton and electric power. There was a decline in fertilisers, cement, metal pipes, batteries, phosphate and animal feed.

During 1990, the report noted, the ministry registered 451 new small and medium-size industrial firms with a total capital of

Fears of Israeli attack grow

(Continued from page 1) others injured.

"Israel is trying to displace the population in South Lebanon. This is an aggression," Sheikh Shamseddine said in a statement

distributed by his office.

Nabih Berri, a cabinet minister without portfolio who also heads the mainstream Shiite Amal militia, called on the population to stay put despite the Israeli warn-

ing.
Mr. Berri and Parliament Deputy Abdul Latif Al Zein headed to Kfar Rumman, the first Shiite village to receive the threat, to "Staying put is dangerous, him abandoning the villages is more dangerous," Mr. Berri said.

Mr. Zein, a native of Kfar Rumman, and Mr. Berri were ioined in the village mosque by about 1,000 of the residents. The rest chose to flee.

"We'll stay here. We'll live here in dignity or die here in dignity," Mr. Zein told the villagers at the mosque, all of whom were elderly men.

talks through attacks on Israel and its forces, has bases in Kfar "Israel wants land without population. Our mere existence here defeats Israel and protects Rumman. Lebanon," he added.

Hizbollah and other pro-The pro-Iranian Hizbollah Iranian groups in Lebano have vowed to fight a "holy war" (Party of God), which has vowed to sabotage the Madrid peace against Israel.

Syria keeps Israel guessing

(Continued from page 1)

on where the second round of bilaterals" should take place hut both sides are sticking to their

Arab delegates said they were confident they would win the dispute, as they did on several minor procedural disputes that arose during the three-day con-

The meetings will be "talks about talks." Apart from venue, they might also discuss the agenda and the timetable.

All except the Israel-Lebanon meeting will be firsts. Lebanon and Israel signed a formal agreement in May 1983 but it collapsed soon after.

Syria and Israel reached a dis-

engagement agreement in the occupied Golan Heights in 1974

through U.S. go-betweens.
A senior official of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), excluded from an overt role in peace talks because of Israeli objections, took part in an Arab coordination meeting on Friday evening, witnesses said.

Nabil Shaath, a political advis-er to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and a leading member of Mr. Arafat's Fatch movement, has been in Madrid since Tuesday but did not appear in public during the three days of formal talks. Israel rejects contacts with the

Mr. Sharaa planned to return to Damascus Jate Saturday.

European Community to review Jordan's need for foreign aid

BRUSSELS (J.T.) — Foreign Minister Kamel Abu Jaber arrived here Saturday to head Jordan's side to the meetings with the European Commun-ity's (EC) commission due to open here Monday.

Also arriving in the Belgian capital was Minister of Planning Ziyad Fariz, while Minis-ter of Finance Basel Jardaneh is due there later Saturday.

The EC commission is expected to discuss financial aid to Jordan to help the country overcome its financial difficulties incurred during and after the Gulf crisis.

During the talks, Dr. Abu Jaber will meet with the fore-ign ministers of Britain, Italy, Portugal and Belgium as well as the Netherlands Foreign Minister Hans van den Broek, according to the Jordan News

Agency, Petra.

The agency said that the ministers of finance and planning will discuss with the commission a number of topics related to EC-Jordanian rela-

Before leaving Amman for Brussels, Dr. Fariz said that the EC's Council of Cooperation will discuss Jordan's economic restructuring programme and prospects for the EC's contribution to help Jordan implement it.

The EC countries have allocated more than \$300 million



in aid to countries within the Mediterranean region currently trying to implement economic restructuring programmes, the agency quoted Dr. Fariz as

saying.
The minister said he would raise the question of Jordanian returnees from the Gulf countries, the negative impact on Jordan's economy and prospects for EC countries to help the Kingdom cope with the present difficulties resulting from caring for the returnees.

According to the minister, the EC will discuss the implementation of its fourth Financial and Technical Protocol with Jordan signed last June. Under the protocol, Jordan will receive more than 126 million European Currency units (\$138.6 million) to help boost the country's economic and agricultural sectors.

According to EC sources in Amman, water resources and management and tourism development as well as support for private sector enterprises are also to benefit from the EC's fourth protocol.

About the third of the amount will be in outright grants and the rest in soft loans, according to the EC

The EC is one of Jordan's biggest foreign aid donors. It has spent millions of dollars over the past few years on the improvement of Jordan's economy and has been among the few countries that extended aid to the Kingdom in the wake of the return of more than 300,000 expatriates from Kuwait during the Gulf crisis. U.N. studies estimate that Jordan will need \$3.14 billion over the next three years to

absorb an estimated 300,000 people from the Gulf. The government had pre-viously estimated it would need to spend \$4.5 billion over

the next five years. Dr. Fariz was quoted by Petra as saying that he will discuss with the Europeans the prospect of selling Jordan's agricultural products in larger quantities in European mar-

New textbooks to be phased in gradually

AMMAN (J.T.) — A current programme implemented by the Ministry of Education to change school textbooks in Jordan within four years in light of recommendations and resolutions by the 1987 Educational Conference is expected to cost JD 11.2 million, according to Ibrahim Al Akash, the director fo the ministry's Curricula and School Tex-

thooks Department. the beginning of the 1991-92 school year, will be implemented

The process, which started in in stages in the private and public schools. The programme is to be financed through a loan to be provided by the World Bank, said

International conference on history and antiquities to be held in Jordan

AMMAN (Petra) - The fifth international conference on the history and antiquities of Jordan is to be organised in Amman in April under the slogan "Art and Technology in Jordan Through the Ages."

The appouncement was made here Saturday by Minister of Tourism and Antiquities Abdul Karim Al Kabariti, who said that 200 scholars from various parts of the world are expected to take part in the six-day meeting to take place at the Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST).

The minister said that an exhibition displaying various activities of the Department of Antiquities in Jordan, together with displays of items provided by Jordanian universities and the Royal Jordanian Geographic Centre, will be orga-uised. The displays, he said, include artifacts excavated in the Kingdom by various archaeologicial teams from Jordan ad foreign countries.

The minister said that the conference, to be held under the patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, will be coupled with informational and touristic activities designed to a acquaint the delegates with Jordanian treasures of antiquities and historial sites.

Furthermore, April 1992 will witness a general annual conference by Italian tourist and travel offices which will be held in Amman for the first time, according to Mr. Kabariti. He said more than 100 participants and 80 journalists from Italy will take part in the meeting.
Mr. Kabariti expressed hope

that Jordan will reestablish itself as a touristic centre in the Middle East after a long break lasting through the Gulf crisis. He said the coming year is expected to be a tourist year for the Kingdom, which will be receiving large numbers of tourist groups from Europe

Mr. Akash in a statement to the Jordan News Agency, Petra.

This year, Mr. Akash said students of the first, fifth and ninth grades are studying new texthooks. In the following years, new books will be provided for the second, sixth and 10th grades followed by the third, seventh and 11th grades.

The fourth, eighth and 12th grades will be the last to get new

Before distribution of the new textbooks in all schools, the ministry is using the new textbooks in a ness of the plan, he said. The textbooks, Mr. Akash

said, are being prepared and compiled by committees of edncationists, veteran teachers. school supervisors and even parents working under the supervi-sion of the Ministry of Education. Should the selected textbooks prove successful in the selected

would be adopted for all schools, Referring to the book publishing process, Mr. Akash said his department publishes nearly 10 million books annually to satis-

schools, the books and the plan

selected number of schools in order to determine the effectivefy the growing needs of students. Development of human resources in region

to be discussed 90 Muslim scholars, experts and scientists from 30 Arab and Islamic nations will gather in Amman this month for a general conference organised by the Islamic

Academy of sciences. According to Dr. Anwar Bilbeisi, the academy's director general, the delegates, who will be joined by 120 scholars, and specialists from Jordan, will discuss developing human resources to promote work in science and technology in the Islamic world.

The conference, the fifth of its kind, is part of the academy's general plan designed to promote the learning and application of science and technology in the Arab and Islamic world through developing manpower in these fields, said Dr. Bilbeisi in a statement Saturday.

A total of 15 working papers, submitted by international and regional scholars and specialists covering various matters related to human resources development together with seven working papers submitted from participants from Jordan reflecting the development of human resources in agriculture, industry and trade

AMMAN (Petra) - More than will be reviewed by the participants in the conference. The conference will open on Nov. 15 under the patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan,

according to Dr. Bilbeisi. The conference is being held in Amman because Jordan is one of the Arab and Islamic nations with sufficient high quality manpower that can be of benefit to the Arab countries in development-related

fields, Dr. Bilbeisi said. Referring to the academy's other activities, Dr. Bilbeisi said that the academy will participate in an international conference to be organised by the standing ministerial committee for science and technology cooperation in the Islamic nations.

The academy, he said, will submit a working paper on its role in organising training prog-rammes for engineers and technicians working in the Islamic world. The academy Dr. Bilbeisi explained, is currently holding training courses in Turkey, Egypt and Jordan with the purpose of upgrading the efficiency of the engineers and technicians of three

WHAT'S GOING ON

The following listings are compiled from monthly bulletins and the daily Arabic press. Readers are advised to verify the listed time and place with the concerned institutions.

EXHIBITIONS

☆ Iraqi art exhibition at the Phoenix Gallery of Art and Culture, Gardens Street.

☆ A special season of antique lithographs, engravings, folio-illustrations and maps, 18th & 19th century prints of Palestine, Jordan — the Mideast as well as orientalist scenes at the Gallery, Hotel Jordan Inter. Continental.

* Photography exhibition by Adeeb Atwan at the British Council * Exhibition entitled "Graphic Arts of the 60s' (from the Federal Republic of Germany) at the Abdul Hameed Shoman Founds tion gallery (open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

* Exhibition of photos by Thierry Girard at the French Cultural Centre.

CONCERT

riano recital by Hao Huang at Phoenix Gallery --- 8 p.m.

A Episode one and two of a nine-part documentary on "The Civil War" at the American Centre - 7 p.m.

By Dr. Fahd Al Fanek

Chairman of the Board of Directors: MAHMOUD AL KAYED

Director General:

MOHAMMAD AMAD

Editor-in-Chief: GEORGE S. HAWATMEH

Editorial and advertising offices:

Jordan Press Foundation, University Road, P.O. Box 6710, Amman, Jordan.

Telephones: 667171/6, 670141-4

Telex: 21497 ALRAI JO Facsimile: 661242

The Jordan Times is published daily except Fridays. Subscription and advertising rates are available from the Jordan Times advertising department.

Myths and realities

MYTHS OF history are made everywhere, and the strongest are made by antagonists. They might never get corrected, but they should never be taken to mean absolute history. especially by leaders, intellectuals and statesmen. In his second address to the Madrid conference Friday, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir quoted the Israeli version of history when he charged that the 1940s Palestinian leader, Mufti Amin Husseini, "collaborated with the Nazis in the extermination of Jews during the Holocaust." That certainly is a myth.

The Madrid conference, however, is no myth. It is very possible that from now on, Arabs and Israelis could, instead of misinterpreting history, write it. Afterwards they could even re-write the past in a way fairer to both sides. The venue of the bilateral talks and the rhetoric of the last three days not withstanding, both parties today sit face-to-face to discuss the making of peace. And that will not be an easy task, though the basic demands of both are legitimate. Basically, the Arabs want their land back and the Israelis want security. These are the two ingredients for peace. To move to that noble goal both Arabs and Israelis need to take confidence-building measures, and as U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has said: "A way must be found to send signals of peace and reconciliation that effect the peoples of the region."

Sure enough, Secretary Baker did not have in mind nor did he contemplate that Israel on Saturday would send confidence-wrecking signals by attacking South Lebanon and expelling Lebanese villagers. Nor was he thinking the Israeli troops would kill a 17-year-old in the occupied West Bank and place Gaza under curfew in return for Palestinians' distribution of olive branches.

Palestinian hostility for Israel, as demonstrated by the intifada daily, is not born out of an intrinsic hatred for the Jews; it is hostility towards an occupying army and a powerful state intent on destroying the very fabric of Palestinian society and identity. Lebanese fighters who attack Israel in the South are seeking to liberate their occupied lands. The Lebanese government and army pledged many times to guard Israel's northern borders once Israeli troops evacuated southern Lebanon.

The Arab parties to the conflict have long made clear to the whole world that they accept Israel and that they want to live with it in peace. They all went to Madrid on these bases as laid down in U.N. Security Council resolutions 242, 338

Unless Israel withdrew from the occupied Arab territories there will be no peace. Meanwhile, unless Israel, the occupying power, scaled down its practices in the occupied territories, especially its settlement policies, the Arabs should not be expected to offer any more concessions.

The Israeli troops' practices in the occupied West Bank, Gaza Strip and South Lebanon are certainly no myths. They are being recorded very accurately by the U.S. State Department, Amnesty International, Middle East Watch and numerous human rights organisations. Unless this daily-written history comes to an end, peace will elude us for a long time.

ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

ISRAEL'S Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir was not only cornered and exposed for his government's illegal practices, but be also received two hard blows at the opening of the Madrid peace conference, said Al Ra'i Arabic daily Saturday. The paper said that the Soviet foreign minister told the conference clearly that U.N. Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 meant the exchange of land for peace and that there was oo question about negotiating over these two resolutions. Another blow came from American Sectreaty of State James Baker who stressed the need to leave the past behind and look towards the future thus replying to Mr. Shamir's move to involve the conference in the events of history, said the paper. The two superpowers have both emphasised their determination to pursue efforts towards achieving peace although they would not impose their own terms on the parties, the paper said. It said that the European Community, represented at the peace conference, has also stressed that the different parties should adhere strictly to the requirements of the international legality. The Arabs, for their part, have called on the superpowers to see to it that the Jewish settlement programme be frozen, and the head of the Palestinian delegation Dr. Abdul Shafi urged the world community to place the occupied lands under U.N. protection for a transitional period leading to independence, the paper pointed out. All the signs coming from the superpowers are good and encouraging, said the paper, but it remains to be seen whether they will respond favourably to the Arab countries' demands in a practical move to lay the foundation for a peaceful settlement.

A columnist in Al Ra'i Saturday expressed belief that the United States will not be satisfied by being a mere coordinator or onlooker at the Madrid peace conference, but rather it will go to the end and pursue all efforts to see to it that the conference, which it had initiated, would achieve fruitful results. Mahmood Al Rimawi said that the U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has showed his displeasure at not seeing any real move to speed up the bilateral talks which will also lead to multilateral talks. The writer said that the U.S. secretary made it clear that the conference should achieve peace and should tackle the question of land and security through its different phases. Mr. Baker forced the Israelis to meet their Arab adversaries for the bilateral talks in Madrid thus thwarting Israel's attempts to render the conference void of its international character, said the writer. Washington bolds the power over the parties and can force them to speed up the procedural matters and get down to real business despite Mr. Baker's statement that progress has to be made by the parties themselves, said Rimawi. He said that now Washington has succeeded in bringing the warring parties together at the Madrid parley, it has no alternative but to pursue its efforts to end the conflict and pave the way for the birth of a new world order.

Sunday's Economic Pulse

Bread subsidy and side effects

IT was roughly estimated that the direct cost of subsidising bread, barley, sugar, rice, milk and maize, to be incurred by the Ministry of Supply during 1991, will reach JD 63.3 million. Out of this amount ID 11.6 million, representing the expected surpluses and profits to be made by the Ministry of Supplies by selling sugar at the market price and the profits achieved by the Civil Consumer Corporation, could be subtracted thus bringing the net cost of

supplies' subsidies to JD 51.7 million.

This amount is not alarming if taken in the context of overall public expenditure. It does not exceed four per cent of the central government budget. The problem lies in the overgrowth of the share of bread in particular. Bread subsidies reached JD 31.1 million a year, equal to 60 per cent of the total commodity subsidies. This reveals a great distortion which should be examined and reconsidered.

We should not deceive ourselves by claiming that this is not mainly a bread subsidy but a subsidy to domestic production of wheat. The study revealed that the share of the domestic wheat makes only 10 per cent, while a solid 90 per cent of the subsidy goes to imported wheat.

On the other hand we should stress the fact that the high

give any positive result. Local production of wheat contributed no more than 7.4 per cent of the country's needs in 1991, or no more than 40,000 tonnes. We depend on imported wheat to the extent of 92.6 per cent.

The cost of imported wheat is, on average, JD 80 per tonne, with additions of JD 10.5 to represent freight, insurance, storage and transport, to bring the total cost of JD 90.5. Currently the government is selling the wheat to the floor mills at JD 34.7 which is 38 per cent of the actual cost.

To complete the picture we have to recall that the present consumer price of bread was fixed since 1978, 13 years ago, when the price of everything more than doubled. Only the price of d remained the same, through increasing the government subsidy year after year.

At that time the cost of subsidised flour formed 55 per cent of the consumer price of bread, while the other costs of production and marketing formed 45 per cent, including labour, energy, material and overheads.

After 1978, the cost of wages, energy, materials and overheads rose gradually. Naturally the owners of bakeries noticed that their agreed margin of profitability was shrinking and sometimes reversed into losses. They complained, and the Ministry of Supply was obliged to reduce the price of flour and increase the subsidy to the extent necessary to make up, at its expense, for the higher cost of production in the bakeries. The last adjustment was made in 1986. Since then, everything remained frozen during these eventful five years. The question of bread prices was thus brought to the table again for consideration. The question is whether the government is in the mood to increase the subsidy even more, or if it will allow the price of bread to rise gradually or in one strike.

In this respect, it may be useful for the public opinion and the decision-makers to realise some of the undesired side-effects of the heavy subsidy extended to bread. Consumers, for instance, were found to be buying 30 per cent more than they actually needed; cheaper prices naturally increased demand and allowed waste. Experts believe that Jordan's real needs are not more than half the 540,000 tonnes of wheat bought and imported by the Ministry of Supply this year. It must be that the other half is smuggled abroad. They add that at least half of what is referred to as domestic wheat was actually smuggled from Syria to take advantage of the Jordanian subsidy.

Never mind the noise, they're talking in the Middle East

By Paul Taylor Reuter

MADRID - Forget the rhetoric, ignore the insults, never mind the noise. They're talking peace in the Middle East.

"I don't want to be overly optimistic but the peace process has finally begun," said Egyptien Foreign Minister Amr Musa, summing up three days of often vicious abuse that marked the first direct talks between Israel and all its Arab neighbours.

"We should not be concerned by the continuation of such debate. I believe that negotiations will start as agreed."

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, the architect of the multitiered peace process that finally brought Israel, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and the Palestinians to the same T-shaped table, was unconcerned about the volume of in-

There was "some posturing and staking out of maximalist positions.. this was expected, "

It was almost as if Arabs and Israelis needed to wheel out their most cherished prejudices, recite their selective versions of history and pick over their deepest woulds in a collective catharsis' before they could talk to each

Concessions, even on procedure, it seemed, could only be made behind a thick smokescreeo of vituperation.

There were two per ences; a public theatre played out for live television audiences around the world, and private diplomacy that belped Mr. Baker and his aides keep the negotiating process on track.

Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, himself a heavyweight prizefighter in the



M.KAHIL

day's plenary session as "a cir- Israel.

Syrian Foreign Mioister Farouq Al Sharaa, who produced the most gripping theatre when be waved a 1947 Britisb "wanted" poster of Yithzak Shamir, now Israel's prime minister, bad calmed down by midafternoon and was telling journalists amiably that Syria was indeed

At the end, Mr. Baker appeared to have achieved exactly what he sought from the Madrid meeting - an agreement for face-to-face negotiations between Israel and each of the Arab delegations to begin on Sunday. Those meetings will probably

be dominated by procedural wrangling about venues, with were more important than the substance to be negotiated.

But the Israelis, desperate for American loan gurantees to help it absorb a wave of Soviet Jewish immigrants, seem unlikely to walk away from the table just because it is in Madrid. Mr. Baker showed his displea-

disagreement over the site of those negotiations." Although ambushes and artil- they are not shnoting.

sumed regular bombing of guer-rilla targets in Lebanon within hours of the end, the Middle East will never quite be the same place

'Some taboos have fallen but too many have not," Mr. Netanyabu said

For the first time in 43 years of bloodshed, Arab delegates have sat and listened to an Israeli prime minister. And for the first time, an Israeli leader has heard a Palestinian delegate describe his people's, suffering under occupation and its demands for a state without flinching.

The Israelis gritted their teeth and stayed even when he praised the Palestine Liberation Organisation, excluded from the conference but hovering invisibly in the wings, and quoted its leader, Yasser Arafat.

The solemn, dignified Palestinian delegate, Gaza doctor-Haidar Abdul Shafi, gave his people a new standing on the world stage which may be irrev-

And in the streets of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, where for four years desperate Palestinians bave been hurling stones and petrol bombs at Israeli troops, hundreds of Arab youths have showered their occupiers with olive branches.

Now comes the hard part negotiations on substance.

No one believes a comprehenring of thetoric, described Fri- willing to enter direct talks with Israel still demanding bilateral sure with the Israelis when he sive Arab-Israeli settlement is at talks be moved swiftly to the said in his closing address that for hand. The peace process wrought Middle East, as if their location the superpowers and most of the by Mr. Baker in a show of unworld "it would be very difficult rivalled American power may to understand how a party could take years to come to fruition. now refuse to attend bilateral with many dramas and hiccups negotiations simply because of a on the way, if it ever does.

> that while people are talking, lery duels continued throughout But at least, they are talking as the conference and Israel re- well as shooting.

Nor is it true in the Middle East

At fragile peace talks, symbols play a role

By Richard Lorant The Associated Press

MADRID - An empty chair, an old photograph, a checkered kuf-

Symbols have taken on enormous importance in a Middle East peace conference where delegates speak the same language - English - but do not seen to understand each other.

Even before the talks got underway at Madrid's 18th century Royal Palace, representa-tives of Israel and her Arab neighbours debated details like the shape of the table. As the first phase ended Friday, disagreement over where the next round should take place threatened to derail the negotiations.

One of the most potent images in the hall of columns where the g sessions took place was that of Arab speakers delivering their argumeots to an empty Israeli seat at the negotiating

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir had left it vacant when he departed for Israel after his opening

Israeli delegates said Mr. Shair left to avoid travelling on the Sabbath, a violation of Jewish law, and antagonising his governing coalition partners of the religious right. They said the Arabs knew about his departure days ago and denied it was a

But chief Palestinian nego-tiator Haidar Abdul Shafi criticised Mr. Shamir for leaving the table early, saying peace talks were more important.

Syrian Foreign Mioister Farouk Al Sharaa also scolded Mr. Shamir, telling the conference his early departure showed the Israelis "were taking the ceace conference lightly.

Mr. Sharaa then brandished his own symbol to punctuate a personal attack against the Israeli prime minister: a 1948 "wanted poster" photograph of Mr. Sha-

The British had suspected Mr. Shamir, then a member of the underground Stern Gang orga-nisation, of involvement in the sassination of a U.N. envoy to what was then Palestine. Mr. Shamir aides deny he participated in the murder of the envoy, Swedish diplomat Count Folke Bernadotte in Cairo.

At times, the delegates themselves appear frustrated over attempts to interpret every detail of their demeanor.

'Why is it provocative? Why is it provocative? demanded Palestinian delegate Saeb Erekat as he tugged the edges of his checkered scarf, or kuffiyeh. He spoke to other delegates but with an eye to the press gallery inside

the hall of column Mr. Erekat has been accused of trying to anger Israelis by wearing the kuffiyeh, a traditional headdress used by Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yasser Arafat, among others.

The Israelis refuse to negotiate with the PLO, which they consider a terrorist organisation. But it is an open secret that the PLO is deeply involved in the participation of Palestinian delegates to the conference.

Gorbachev, Mitterrand plead against Soviet break-up

By Francois Raitberger Reuter

SOUSTONS - Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and President Francois Mitterrand of France spoke out on Thursday against a break-up of the Soviet Union and Mr. Gorbachev said civil war in Yugoslavia should serve as a warning.

After a day of talks at Mr. Mitterrand's country retreat in southwest France, they told a joint news conference disintegration would serve neither Soviet nor Western interests. Mr. Gorbachev said that

although the republics had chosen self-determination they sbould keep a single military force and common economy or the price to pay could be war and

"Maintaining the union is indispensable to avert confronta-tion and recession," he said. Mr. Mitterrand said the West

wbich it could channel aid and help the Soviet Union through a winter of hunger and unrest. "France has no interest in a scattering (of power), in a politic-

al vacuum replacing a structure whose main part is Russia," he Mr. Mitterrand said France had given Moscow \$530 million in

would plead with its partners in

the G-7 group of the seven most

industrialised countries for an ex-

tra effort.

For Mr. Gorbachev, on his way back from the Madrid Middle needed a central power through relaxing interval.

gins," he said food aid over the past year and

Mikhail Gorbachev

East peace conference, the 20hour stopover at Mr. Mitterrand's country home deep in the peaceful Landes pine forest was a

"Roosters woke me up. It reminded me of my peasant ori-

Shepherds perched on high stilts to walk across the region's swamps welcomed the two leaders as they arrived for the news conference at a lakeside sailing

centre in the village of Soustons.

Mr. Gorbachev said war in



Yugoslavia should be a lesson for all on the consequences of breakups in Europe. But the Yugoslav federation should not be written

Saying Yugoslavia no longer exists is a superficial and irresponsible approach." he said, in an apparent jibe at France.

Supporting Yugoslavia is our duty. Otherwise do we need such a new Europe, with so much suffering?" he asked.

French Foreign Mioister Roland Dumas recently said that Yugoslavia, torn since last June

by fighting pitting separatist Croatia against Serbs and the Federal Army, no longer existed. Mr. Mitterrand said the inter-

national community must help

Yugoslavia find a new deal in a federation with political power redistributed or a confederation. The two leaders again denied reports that their relationship had suffered from Mr. Mitterrand's apparently lukewarm support for Mr. Gorbachev during the failed

Soviet coup attempt last August. "That problem does not exist." Mr. Gorbachev said. He denied having written in his book on the coup that he had vainly waited for Mr. Mitterrand to telephone his

Our personal relationship is as strong as it has ever been," said Mr. Mitterrand, irritated by press insistence on what he called a controversy of minor interest.

We intend to remain close together to safeguard democracy and the (Soviet) Umon's equi-librium," he said.

The two leaders bad lengthy talks on Wednesday evening. They continued discussions on Thursday over breakfast and in the car taking Mr. Gorbachev to Biarritz airport, in the French Basque country, for his flight

Mr. Gorbachev, treated to the delicacies of the Landes forest, home of foie gras, was the first foreign head of government to stay overnight at Mr. Mitterrend's small country house since then German Chancelior Helmut Schmidt 10 years ago.

a performa.

SERVE OF ACT Man Man and and

Property of the second Maria de la como de la Marine Constitution of the Barrier Const.

THE REPLACE THE

HE STATE IN COLUMN

ing have Not the

The way to be a series of the series of the

3 Fred 221 35.-2

20 6 NATIO 2

45 M

SEC. S. Z.

ast. Serve of the

per in Leveri. Commercial BE SEED ! TO grand a numero ETALES TO THE fire company of ---destruction of imposes a (retinerd

THE R. A. LANCE aburr Barum SECTION OF Samor žini turne akki a miero art. ಗಿರ್ವಾಜ ಪ್ರಕರ್ಣ ೆಡ ಹಾಗು ಗಾಗಿಗಳ

graute the first

3200 : 1000 13 L.

(Reador de Mision

5-3: European Mandreing for de militario de la deservación de la deservación de la deservación de la defenda del defenda de la d Es e difficult ag ant entrame केट्या कोटः सः EC to bear of W 2 57 F. 92 A 5

to leader will dent jedine in वहाकाले विकास BE BETERCY. Eng sensitive on the a vest of TECTALICES.

42 CHOOSE S PERSON

4 i2:00.3:30

Syrian performance boosts morale

(Continued from page 1)

and nationalist context.

Mustafa Hamarneh, a professor of history, believes that it was pure coincidence that the Syrian approach in Madrid was in line with the sentiment among the Arab

"It is well known that the Syrians are very good in determining their priorities in terms of what is good and what is bad for them," said Dr. Hamarneh. "History has proved that Syrian priorities coincided as well as collided with pan-Arab oational issues at times depending on what Damascus felt was its interests."

Dr. Hamarneh also points out that the issue at stake for Syria at this point in time was relatively insignificant wheo compared with Jordan and the Palestinians.

'Syria can afford to adopt a hard line position in Mad-rid," he said. "But Jordan or the Palestinians cannot do that simply because they have such more at stake and stand to lose much more than the Syrians," he pointed out.

What Mr. Sharaa told the conference was exactly the Arah masses wanted to hear and rejoice," he said.

On the other hand, political science professor Nasser Tahboub argued that Syria, by virtue of its position as amplified in Madrid, "underfined the reality that no one can eclipse the Syrian role in inter-Arah and regional poli-

"Let no-one underestimate the role of Syria as one of the key players in the Levant," he said. "The structural changes in the international scene have created a number of pragamatic leaders in the region" who would otherwise have maintained their traditional role as rejectionists, he

For observers, the quick wits of the Syrians were evident in the way their veteran Syrian foreign minister handled things in Madrid.

Mohammad Khalil, an observer who said he watched the entire conference on television, asked: "How come Mr. Sharaa had the 'wanted' poster of Shamir very conveniently in his pocket to be produced at an instant's notice?'

"Mr. Sharaa had a prepared text, which he ignored while replying to Mr. Shathe obsever recalled.

Ohviously, Mr. Khalil argued, "the Syrians knew very well that Shamir could come up with and they were prepared for it."

Io the same vein, he added, "Mr. Sharaa also proved that he could react at an instant's notice when he grabbed the microphone and corrected (Soviet Foreign Minister Boris) Pankin that the conference was only adjourned not closed."

"No other delegate thought quick enough of reaffirming this point," said Mr.

"On the whole, I have a good feeling that the Arabs will not be a walkover for the Israelis in the peace talks," he said, summing up what appears to be widely-shared now-found confidence among many who had resigned to the Arabs playing to the American tunes in the Spanish capital.

"It was a diplomat who said in Madrid: The Americans and the Soviets are providing the music, the Arabs and Israelis are the dancers and Spain is providing the ballroom," recalled Jihan, a university student. "I would like to add: The Syrians have changed the tone of the music and now the steps of the players have to change too."

PLO proposes Arab summit

(Continued from page 1)

late Friday to evaluate the first phase of the historic peace talks that opened Wednesday in Mad-

PLO strategists are working ont what line to adopt Sunday,. when the Jordanian-Palestinian delegation meets for the first time alone with its Israeli counterpart. Executive Committee member

By Andres Welberg-Stok

BRUSSELS - The 12 European

Community states are bracing for

a final round of haggling over

political and monetary union, but

some negotiators find it difficult

to see how the more extreme

It is now clear that when an EC

summit in the Dutch town of

Maastricht ends in six week's

time, community leaders will

have missed their own deadline to

sign a treaty on a common foreign

Some of the most sensitive issues are still opeo after a year of

often uopleasant negotiations,

and officials say the question now

is whether the summit will pro-

policy and a single currency.

positions can he reconciled.

day demanded that the United States pressure Israel to hold the second round of bilateral talks in

"It's preferable that the oegotiations continue in Madrid, or Washington, and not in the Middle East, where the dialogue would signify normalisation before the solotion," Mr. Abbas

duce a political deal that can then

"We will never be able to sign

be translated into a legal treaty.

at Maastricht because some time

will be needed after that to fine-

tune the texts," said the ambassa-

dor of one member state in Brus-

emanating from the 12 capitals on their different ambitions for

Maastricht may be like the boast-

ful threats of boxers before a fight,

negotiators wonder if some of the

more entrenched attitudes can be

"Technically, it can be done,"

EC foreign ministers meeting

in Brussels on Monday will spar

again over two of the problem

4 Rent & Sale

Many villas and apartment

are available for rent and

sale - furnished or unfur-

Also many lots of land are

For further details, pleas

Estate

doun

available for sale.

Tel. 810605, 810609 Fax: 810526

one senior negotiator said. "Poli-

tically, I wouldn't het on it."

Although much of the bravado

'Humanitarian aid must be sustained'

Following is the English transla-tion of UNRWA's Commissioner General Ilter Turkman's speech delivered in French in Rome at the Cooperation for Development Conference held on Oct.

I AM most grateful to the Italian government for having invited the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) to this third conference on Cooperation for Development.

This cooference... is taking place during a period of transition - transition towards a new world order — although its oature remains nnelear. It is eertain, however that we are going through a period of great change.

The United Natioos Relief and Works Agency that I head, is directly involved in the geographical and political context of the Middle East, a region that has been beset by disintegration sioce World War I and where the search for peace, stability and regional cooperation has repeatedly failed.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees in the Near East was established 41 years ago to counter the traumatic upheavals of 1947 to 1948, which accelerated and fatally deepened the fragmeotation of the Middle East and provoked three devastating wars. The victim of all these wars, of the perpetuation of the Arab-Israeli conflict and of fratricide quarrels, has invariably been the Palestinian people whose right to self-determination, recognised by the United Nations since 1947, has remained a dead letter.

Now, at a time when we hope, most sincerely, for a successful outcome to the peace process which is about to start in a few days io Madrid, there is a chance that a new era will begin in the region and that finally a lasting peace will prevail.

I must, however, expand a little on the historical background in order to explain UNRWA's

Over five million Palestinians, some two million of whom have been living under military occupatioo since 1967, almost half of them registered as refugees, have been deprived of any opportunity for socioeconomie development. Their only concern has been to survive.

issues — how to give the largely

powerless European Parliament a

greater say in community deci-

sions and how to siphon more

money from rich EC states into

the coffers of poorer member

Britain, always wary of coding

sovereignty to the EC, is oot

alone in its reluctance to involve

the 518-seat parliament in new

areas and allow it to overrule the

executive European Commission

and the council of member states

Bot as the only state resisting the idea of a single EC currency,

Britain is not swayed by Ger-

many's warnings that Bonn will

refuse to donate its valuable

Deutschemark to form the back-

bone of an Economic and Monet-

in some cases.

Prospects of EC signing union treaty vanish

nadotte gave a warning to the international community in his report to the secretary general of the United Nations: "Either a relief operation is mounted, or an entire people will be left to die

UNRWA was born after this moving appeal from this man who, as we know, later met such tragic end. Now, in light of experience

gained over four decades, one must stop and reflect on the unique case of a United Nations organisation which has played such an important role in the destiny of an entire people. UNRWA's programmes are an

interesting example of integrated development which, due to the political constraiots and the limitations of its mandate as well as lack of financial resources, have had to focus mainly on capitalising on the manpower offered by the refugees in the fields of health, education, vocational training and social assist-

The development of Palestinian human potential, the pre-servation of their cultural traditions and the implementation of programmes of direct assistance have oo many occasions been confronted by the harsh political and military realities of the region in which we work. However, after 43 years of precarious existence often in makeshift camps which increasingly have an air of permanency, the Palestinians, with the assistance of UNRWA, have succeeded in becoming one of the most educated people in the region and one of the most able to take the path of autonomous socio-economic develop-

It remains to he seen if the institutions established by the Uoited Nations through UN-RWA; dispeosaries, hospitals, schools, vocational training centres and income-generating programmes, are allowed to flourish in a political and territorial context permitting Palestinians to be the masters of their own destiny.

The international community has made no mistake about it. This human capital deserved and continues to deserve to be sup-

I would like bere to emphasise the importance that the Italian and EC contributions have for us. Over the past ten years, these

liament gaios sweeping now

necessary to ensure more direct

democratic scrutiny of EC deci-sions is backed enthusiastically by many of the smaller states, which

fear economie and political

domination by the heavyweights.

Spain, which is still demanding a

special fund to systematically re-

distribute money from rich states

to its economy and those of Ire-

land, Greece and Portngal.

Despite the recent reappearance of obstacles in the EMU

talks, which only a few weeks ago

appeared well on track, officials

say the political union negotia-

tions are the more difficult to

STUDIO HAIG

Develop your colour film at

* JUMBO photo

* Free Metal Frame

13 × 18 c.m

Shmeisani - Opp. Grindlays Bank. Phone: 604042

Professional Quality in

size 30% larger

Swefieh tel: 823891

1 Hour Service

our shop and get:-

Germany's backers ioclode

Bonn's argument that this is

porting UNRWA's programmes. a role that in the past was carried out mainly by the nordic and Anglo-Saxon countries. I have listened with some consternation to the many speakers who have hinted at the possible reduction of Italian development aid in 1992. Like other United Nations organisations we have been encouraged by very clear indications from important Itahan politicians during this meeting which should calm our fears. In UNRWA's case, Italy is at the forefront of humanitarian support. I am very concerned to see this support contioue.

It is clear that UNRWA's role. while being essentially humanitarian, has political foundations. The decision to create UNRWA in 1949 was a highly political one as the international community decided that a whole refugee population deserved its support and should oot perish and that steps should he taken to preserve its national identity. This philosophy determined the work of UN-RWA. Now, unfortunately, 41 years later, the agency continues to carry out its work of building the future of a people who are waiting for a solution to their problems - one that can only be political - in the spirit of a new world order, most just and more

It is not for me to suggest solutions to the question of Palestine, but nevertheless cannot be denied that this problem continues to poison all hopes of international cooperation in the Eastern Mediterranean - the steppes of Europe.

A glimmer of hope has appeared on the horizon: the peace process launched hy the United States in the aftermath of the Gulf war is to take place very shortly. I can only hope that it will succeed, and that at last the road to a better future will he open to the Palestinian people.

In awaiting a solotion to this problem, I would like to draw to your attention that the political and financial support to UN-RWA must continue in order not to undermine one of the elements of the peace equation. While the international community works for a political solution, humanitarian aid must he sustained on the ground to ensure the success of ongoing initiatives.

Therein lies the guarantee for a

Monday's ministerial meeting

will also illustrate another thorny

patch — the creation of a more

formal common foreign policy,

with some issues possibly subject

to majority voting and perhaps

with an embryonie European

The ministers are due to agree

on what the Netherlands, the

bloc's current president, should

do and say when it sits down as an

observer in the EC's name at the

Middle East peace conference in

They will also take stock of

developments at Yugoslav peace

talks organised by the EC, with

both sides in the treaty debate

trying to back their arguments.

Madrid this week.

mit on December 9-10.

ary Union (EMU) unless the par- conclude at the Mazstricht sum-

army.

For old enemies, harsh rhetoric was to be expected

By Ruth Sinai The Associated Press

MADRID — Despite a morning of venomous speech-making, Palestinians and Israelis may move ahead with plans for faceto-face talks.

Much of the harsh rhetoric heard here Friday and over the past few days was expected. After all, the whole world was

Both the Israelis and Palestimans admitted as much. Both took advantage of the

glaring media exposure to present their strongest case to world opinion, with briefings, news conferences, interviews and pamphlets. For Israel, it was an opportun-

ity to depict a small peace-loving country surrounded by oumerous hostile Arabs and yearning for recognition from its neighbours. For the Palestinians, the con-

ference was a rare chance to shed hight on the plight of their re-fugees, their dispossessed, their suffering under Israeli occupation, their dreams of a homeland.

For Syria, it was a chance to demand that Israel relinquish the Golan Heights — captured from the Syrians in the 1967 Middle East war - and to show solidarity with the Palestinians by deanding their rights be fulfilled.

Later Friday, Syria's foreign talks were still in doubt, although the Israelis and Palestinians said earlier they were moving ahead with plans for face-to-face discus-

staking out of maximalist posi-tions," said Secretary of State James Baker.

It's exactly the sort of thing one would expect to see when the cameras are trained on such a delicate process, he told repor-

The real negotiations, said

Israel's deputy foreign minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, will be held behind closed doors. Only there can results be achieved. Despite the tough talk, "we

haven't walked out. That's a simple fact," Mr. Netanyahu told

Reacting to Syria's harsh speech demanding Israel return all captured lands, Mr. Netanyahn called it "vituperation, slander and condescension," yet in the same breath, he said the talks would go on.

Even a harsh personal attack by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Al Sharaa on Israeli Prime Minister Yithzak Shamir did not bust up the talks.

"I am not surprised," said Mr.
"We saw some posturiog, the Shamir, after Mr. Al Sharaa accused him of complicity in the 1948 assassination of a U.N. mediator. "It will not prevent me from continuing," he said upon arriving back in Israel.

The United States, seeking to move the sides to the next phase of the talks, has proposed the first session of direct talks be held at a secluded site away from the estimated 5,000 reporters covering the conference.

"The presence of the media magnifies each crisis beyond proportion," said Nachman, Shai, an Israeli delegate.

Drawing of: Nov. 2, 1991

JORDAN WELFARE LOTTERY

Ordinary Issue No.: 25

Holder of ticket No. 17098 WinsJD 25,000

Holder of ticket No. 52461 WinsJD 6,000 26373 Holder of ticket No.

WinsJD 3,000 41322 Holder of ticket No. WinsJD 2,500

Holder of ticket No. 77373 Wins.ID 1,500

58437 Holder of ticket No. WinsJD 1,280 36511 Holder of ticket No.

WinsJD 1,000 Holder of ticket No. 43795

Ticket numbers

WinsJD 600

en consolation prizes totaling JD 1,000 each wire JD 180 17099 17008 17198 18098 2'70/98 17097 17088 17998 16098 0/7/098 en consolation prizes totaling JD 600 each viins JD 60 52462 52471 52561 53461 6'2461 52460 52451 52361 51461 42461 Ten consolation prizes totalling JD 300 each wing JD 30

26374 26383 26473 27373 36373 26372 26363 26273 2537/3 16373 Ten consolistion prizes totalling JD 200 (Jach wins JD 20 41323 41332 41422 427,22 51322 41321 41312 41222 40322 31322 Ten consolation prizes totaling JD 15/ each wins JD 15

77374 77383 77473 78373 07373 77372 77363 77273 7/6373 67373 en consolation prizes totalling JD '100 each wins JD 10 58438 58447 58537 59437 68437

58436 58427 58337 57437 48437 Ten consolation prizes totalling J.D.80 each wins J.D.8 36512 36521 3661% 37511 46511 36510 36501 3641,1 35511 26511

Ten consolation prizes totalling JD 70 each wink JD 7 43796 43705 438.95 44795 53795 43794 43785 43/595 42795 33795

win JD 200 each win JD 100 each

Win JD 5 each

Win JD 10

TICKETS ENDING WITH

44424 26128 75154 47141

6099 6200 5912 9211 1522 Win JD 29 each

0041 9996 8938 Win JD 10 each 0440 5/196

946 457 974 834 182 8000 tickets ending with Zere (0) Win JD 2 each

COVER PRIZES FOR THE LOTTERY SEILLERS

covers, attached to the stub of 10 ending in

Winners of the grand prizes in the ordinary issue number

852 400 599 814 258











Next Drawing takes place on Nov. 17, 1991 First eight biggest prizes are issued from GUVS headquarters

JORDAN MARKET PA

THE PROFESSIONALS ALWAYS CHOOSE THE RELIABLE

PACKING, AIR FREIGHT FORWARDING, DOOR-to DOOR SERVICES AND DELIVERIES . CUSTOMS CLEARANCE . TICKETS ANO, RESERVATIONS.

AMIN KAWAR & SONS EL 604676 604696 PO.BOX 7806



p.m.

6:30-Midnight

Tel. 638968



RENT Distinctive Villas Apartments Flats IN ROYAL WEST AMMAN real estate Just call NIDAL 693037

CHEN'S CHINESE RESTAURANT Mecca Sireel, Yarmouk Engineers' Housing Estate, near Kilo Supermarket Mongolian Barbeque for Lunch Friday only Tel: 818214 Come and taste our _. specialities

Open daily 12:00 - 3:30

p.m.

6:30 - Midnight

MANDARIN RESTAURANT **Special Chinese Foods Skilled Chinese Chefs** Open 11:30-3:30 & 6:00-11:30 dealy Take away is available Wadi Sagra Road near Philadelphia Hotel Tel. 661922, Amman Case Tasted Always Loved

LOOKING **FOR A PLACE** TO RENT IN **WEST AMMAN CALL SOHA** AT

Saudi Real Estate 687821/22

The First Class Hotel In Amman that has a Kitchenette in every room...! DAROTEL حاراوتيل

Amman - Tel 668193 P.O. Box 9403 - Fax 602434 Telex 23888 DAROTL JO Ideal Residence For **Expatriates and** Businessmen



فلدق فيالطف

The Philadelphia

For Res. Call 683100 Ext. 113.



Soup of the Day Salad Bar

Grilled Filet Mignoo

with potatoes and vegetables

Dessert . Coffee Or Tea

Price: J.D \$.000

DAILY BUSINESSMAN'S LUNCH





DVERTISE

Jordan Times

wers

Market Fred to its

part Forth reput

A Marie Mari

RESSIAN SOLI

Jord

Anand upsets Kasparov at Interpolis Chess Tournament

TILBURG, Netherlands (AP) — Indian grandmaster Viswanathan Anand and U.S. champion Gata

Kamsky have made chess history. The 21-year-old Anand upset world champion Garry Kasparov and 17-year-old Kamsky beat former world champion Anatoly Karpov in a spectacular 12th round at the 15th annual Interpolis Chess Tournament Friday.

The double defeat of the two Soviet "super Ks," whose rivalry has dominated world chess for the past decade, was a feat unparalleled in Chess competition.

Tournaments including both the world champion and his arch rival are rare and their conceding a game to third parties is even

But both losing against others in the same round is a record that should stand for years to come. The slayer of the day was Anand, who got the better of Kasparov with white in a sparkling tactical duel that lasted just

over three hours. Playing white against the world champion's Sicilian defence, the fast-playing grandmaster from Ma dras introduced a theoretical nov elty on his eighth, followed by a pa wn sacrifice on his ninth, and trapped the black queen three

move's later. In return, Kasparov captured three white pieces, and the result was an extremely complicated position that experts said could go either way.

TOTS

Marriott

Al Hikma

Foxboro

TIPS

MIDS

Tramec

SENIORS

Chilli House

Istiklal

·UPS

Peanuts

Andy Capp

Mutt'n'Jeff

Union Bank

Soccer matches held Friday, Oct. 1, 1991

Soccer Cup match held Saturday Nov. 2, 1991

It went to Anand. With both sides fumbling in the ensuing battle, Kasparov made the decisive mistake on his 22nd fought on for seven more moves before

resigning in a hopeless position.
"Vishy," as his fans call him, was elated. Earlier in the tournament, he had beaten Karpov to revenge a loss in a Brussels quarterfinal candidates' match, where he was knocked out of the race for the upcoming world cham-

"My only problem is that I beat these guys at the wrong moment," he told reporters. "1 should have won against Karpov in Brussels and defeating Kasparov here in Tilburg will not win me the world title.'

It may win him the tournament, though. With just two more rounds to go in the double round-robin event, he would pull alongside Kasparov in first place if he wins the favourable ending he held with black against Kamsky in a game adjourned in the

previous round. In contrast to Vishy's speedy win, Kamsky's victory over Karpov came after a drawn-out positional fight that lasted for almost six hours of endless manoeuvring

and few tactical niceties. The U.S champion played black from a Gruenfeld-Indian defence and held a slight edge throughout. But with Karpov defending for what he was worth the ontcome was long in the balance.

Pirelli

GEMT

Epson

AICI

Volvo

Int. Traders

Foxboro

I KNOW! I

HEVER HEAR HER VINTIL SHE'S RIGHT

IT'S TOO

EXAMINE

ON TOP OF ME-

SHES

Vs

(1) Vs

Cup finals and closing ceremony Friday Nov. 8, 1991

Philadelphia

Aqaba Shipping

AMMAN LITTLE LEAGUE



Viswanathau Anand

Far into the endgame, Kamsky staged a pawn break-through, forcing Karpov to resign on his

In further play Friday, Viktor Korchnoi of Switzerland held Britain's Nigel Short to a draw in 56 moves with black from a French defence. Holland's Jan Timman chalked up a point when Evgeny Bareev of the Soviet Union exceeded the time limit in an already lost position on his 59th move with white from a Nimzo-Indian opening.

The 13th round in the \$55,000 will he held Saturday with adjourned games to he completed Sunday and the final round Mon-

Sampras and Forget advance at Paris Open

PARIS (AP) - Fifth and sixth seeds Guy Forget and Pete Sampras didn't follow the way out of the Paris Open like the four seeds above them, as both advanced into the semifinals with victories

on Friday. Sampras will lead an all-American semifinal against compatriot; and 16th-seeded Michael Chang, who ousted Stefan Edberg Thursday and beat his second seed in as many days with a 7-5, 6-1 win over No. 8 seed

Petr Korda of Czechoslovakia. Sampras downed Soviet Alexander Volkov, 6-2, 6-3 while Forget struggled a bit to beat unseeded Omar Camporese of Italy, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3. Forget will oppose Sweden's

Jonas Svensson, who reached the semifinals here for the second consecutive year with a 6-4, 6-2 ctory over Czechoslovakia's Karel Novack. Last year, Svensson was eliminated by Boris Becker in the

semifinals, but this year the Swede advanced to the quarterfinals when Becker withdrew before their Thursday third-round match with the flu.

Chang finally held serve after four consecutive breaks to take a again to win the first set.

"The first set was very tough. I

)

6-5 lead and then broke Korda

think that when he served at 5and lost was when he collapsed,'

said Chang. After losing his serve to tie the match at 5-5 in the first set, Korda lost nine of the next 18 games, with Chang going to the net and forcing his opponent into unforced errors.

Chang enters the match with Sampras having won all five of their previous meetings.

"All that was before his (1990) U.S. Open victory," Chang said. "He's a much more confident and better player now. Pete and I know each other's game so well that it's a case of who can play consistent tennis better."

Sampras and Forget were the highest remaining seeds in the tournament after No. 1 Edberg and No. 3 Jim Courier were eliminated, No. 2 Becker withdrew with the fin and No. 4 Michael Stich withdrew early because of an elbow injury.

"Courier and Stieh have reached their climax for the year and are a bit burnt out," said

After an easy first set Sampras lost his serve in the second set when leading 2-0. Volkov tied at 2-2 before Sampras overpowered his opponent with his customary strong serve and backhand vol-

JUST LEAVE THEM THERE.

IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN FIND MY WAY BACK TO

OF MY HOUSE

THE CLUBHOUSE

Senna takes 60th pole at Australian GP

ADELAIDE, Australia (R) — Brazilian Ayrton Senna extended his record total of pole positions to 60 Saturday when he dominated a rain-affected final qualifving session for Sunday's Australian Grand Prix motor race.

Driving a McLaren, Senna clocked a flying lap of one minute and 14.041 seconds with only two minutes of the hour-long session remaining.

Drizzle added to the problems

of the bumpy and dirty track surface but Senna made light of

The time assured with newlycrowned triple world champion, of the 60th prime grid position of his career and his seventh of the 1991 season.

Senna will share the front row of the grid for the final race of the season with his McLaren teammate Austrian Gerhard Berger, who was unable to improve his time Saturday.

Briton Nigel Mansell in a Wil-liams and his team-mate Italian Riccaro Patrese will share the second row, both having failed to improve on their opening qual-ifying times set in Friday's session in dry conditions.

The two Benetton drivers Nelson Piquet of Brazil and his yonng German team-mate Michael Schumacher ended up

fifth and sixth-fastest overall. They will share the third row of the grid ahead of the two Ferraris driven by Frenchman Jean Alesi and his new Italian team-mate Gianni Morbidelli.

Bright sunshine broke through the clouds shortly after the session, drying out the circuit. Senna, who had spun his car

and blown an engine during the morning free practice, said he felt very proud of his pole.

This is very special because it

was the last qualifying session of the year and it is fantastic for me to have scored the 60th pole position," he said.

"It was a target 1 set myself this season and we just made it at the last minute. The mechanics did a marvellous job repairing the gearbox problems 1 had in the morning and to clean up the extinguishant which was all over the back of the car.

They gave me a nice-handling car and this result is as much down to their efforts as mine out on the track today."

Berger said: "I was late out on my second run, made a slight mistake at the first chicane and had a try for another qualifying lap only to find the chequered flag as I came up to start the lap."

Senna predicted a tough, excit-ing race Sunday in which set-up, tyres and brakes would he important factors. "This is one of the longest and toughest races of the year and I hope it is dry tomorrow," he said.

Mansell made several efforts to improve his time but was held back by track conditions and twice frustrated by heavy traffic on the track in the closing stages.

Patrese was one of the majority of 21 drivers who did manage to produce an improved time in the final miontes, but not quite enough to change the grid posi-

The most notable improvement came from Alesi, who had been frustrated by the handling of his Ferrari Friday. On Saturday, he cut two and a half seconds off his time as he moved up to seventh on the grid ahead of Morbidelli,

Morbidelli will make his Ferrari racing debut Sunday as replacement for dismissed Frenchman Alain Prost.

At the other end of the grid, there was a furious battle to avoid failing to qualify.

Frenchman Bertrand Gachot. released from prison in England only two weeks ago, was mable to qualify.

On the Occasion of the birthday of His Majesty

KING HUSSEIN

THE JORDAN BRIDGE ASSOCIATION **Presents**

THE 10th ANNUAL AMMAN INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE FESTIVAL

5-10 November 1991

The festival will be held at the **Tordan InterContinental Hotel**

TUE. 05 November 06:30 p.m. Reception & Registration 07: 30 p.m. Open Pairs-First Session

WED. 06 November 06:00 p.m. Open Pairs- Second Session THU. 07 November 06:00 p.m. Open Pairs-Final Session FRI. 08 November 10:30 a.m. Mixed Pairs-First Sessioo

05:00 p.m. Mixed Pairs-Second Session

SAT 09 November 05:00 p.m. Open Teams - First Session

SUN 10 November 04:00 p.m. Open Teams - Second Session 09:00 p.m. Distribution of prizes

& Gala Dinner

For more information please call 676990

GOREN BRIDGE

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

TREAD GENTLY THROUGH THE MINEFIELD

Both vulnerable. South deals. NORTH ₱ 10 3 ♥ A Q 7 5 ♦ K 6 4 ₩EST • Q9762 □ 62 □ Q1073 • 107 * A 4 ? K J 10 9 3

The bidding South West North Pass 3 C

South West North East

1 7 Pass 3 V Pass

4 7 Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Six of
Yesterday we discussed the idea, of positional values—the fact that an honor such as the king can be a full trick if it is situated behind the acc. yet he worthlass if it is to be a full trick if the second trick if the second trick if the second trick if it is second to be a full trick if it is second trick. ace, yet be worthless if it is located in front of it. Here's another exam-

ple of how to resuscitate a seemingly worthless card. North-South were using forcing jump raises, so an excellent fourheart contract was located in quick time. Although three no trump by North is the perfect contract, most systems would lead to four hearts

with South declaring. After the opening lead of a fourth-best spade, those declarers who believe in fortune always being in their favor would win the ace,

draw trumps and then try to find clubs evenly divided. When that doesn't happen, South would ruff the last club and exit with a spade, and all would be well if East had to be the trick below the last Worth and the well with a spade. win this trick. But an alert West would step up with the queen and shift to a diamond honor, and the "unjucky" declarer would lose three

"uniucky" declarer would lose three tricks in that suit for a one-trick set. Those declarers with better technique would play the ten of spades from dummy and allow East to hold the first trick, since that defender can do them oo harm. After winning the spade return, declarer would draw trumps and then try to split out the clubs.

When East turns up with four clubs, the skilled declarers would see at once that the contract is now immune to the vicisitudes of Dame Fortune. Instead of ruffing, South simply sllows East to win the fourth club, discarding a diamond from hand. East has a choice of ways with which to commit suicide—a dia-mond return establishes the table's king as the fulfilling trick, while a spade allows declarer to discard another dismond from hand while ruffing in dummy. Either way, the contract is home.

HOROSCOPE

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1991 By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You need to use the timest care not to get involved in any sort of odd or strange condition. Handle everything consciencondition. Handle everything conscien-tiously and be sure to really listen to

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) You are able to be of great helpfulness to another person who is in seed and you would be wise yourself to eat lightly and TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Think in

terms of what you can do to please your friends and make them more aware how truly important they are in your plan of GEMINE: (May 21 to June 21) This is your time to show you follow whatever is required by law or rules affecting you that you follow them to the spirit as well

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) So many new ideas are at your fingertips to do something about that you would be wise to think out a new course of action that enriches your

LEO: (July 22 to August 21) Whatever you have in mind that requires exact-ness in the payment of obligations of the collections of sums due and owing to you is excellent now.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22)
Make sure you do listen attentively to
what partners have to suggest before
you your own own views and then you
can come to a meeting of the minds. LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22)

Beautify and improve your surround-ings so that you can gain the good will of those who also are at such sites with you

Today's child: If your child were born today she or he has the good sears and the cooperative qualities to know what to do in order to gain the good will of others. Vocational outlets that have to do with blending various personalities with each other or where neat-touch and fine finish are concerned are rigi and one faish are concerned are right up this progeny's alloy.

"The stars impel, they do not com-pel." What you make of your life is largely up to you.

SCORPIO: (October 23 to Nove 21) A day for you to get through your regular dirties as soon at possible and then you can get off to the assusements and entertainment you are yearning for.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to De-cember 21) Thick out what you need to do in order to get everything in perfect working order and don't run off to some fun as the time is not right.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to James 20) Whatever means the most to you with your usual allies can be sensibly

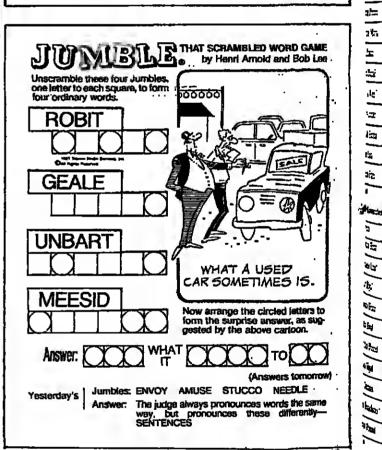
arranged this day so make sure you open up new avenues of comfort.

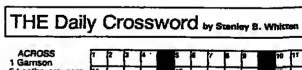
AOUARIUS: (January 21 to Februs

AUDIANCUS: Lamas, money occupies your thoughts this day and you would be wise to show you are endowed with good common horse sense by adding to

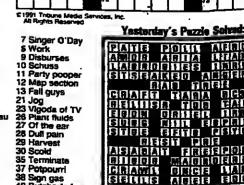
PISCES: (February 20 to March 20)
You can get out with other persons now
when they are willing to aid you to get
the things that you want the most so
stop being so withdrawn and be as

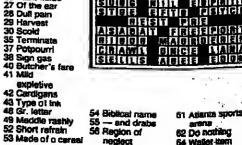












54 Biblical name 55 — and drabs 56 Region of neglect 60 Legal holding

arena 62 Do nothing 64 Wallet liam

abbr.
abbr.
65 Hover
67 Marcel Marc
68 Author Uris
69 Burning coal
70 Versen and
Gazzara
71 — Roles

71 — Boleyn

DOWN

1 Confined 2 Bread spread 3 III

SHAMS

TANAS (Arabic)

...

5

Russian parliament gives Yeltsin powers to implement radical reforms

MOSCOW (AP) - Russian wmakers Friday overwhelmingly approved President Boris Yeltsin's demand to implement radical reforms in the most powerful Soviet republic, brok on nearly all goods.

The 876-16 vote by Russia's parliament came as Mr. Yelt-th formally cut off funding to at least 70 Soviet ministries shased on Russian soil in a

Financial

Markets

Currency

Sterling Pound

Dentsche Mark

Swiss Franc

French Franc

languese Ven

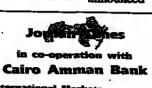
move to cut the costly and inefficient national bureaucra-

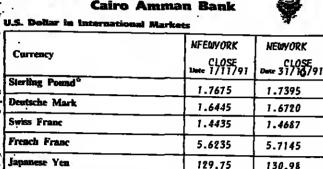
The decision to cut funding to the Soviet ministries, not including defence, railroad and nuclear energy, could shut down much of the Moscowbased central government, which has repeatedly backed away from economic reforms.

The funding ents were announced by Mr. Yeltsin af-

130.98

1.2235*





1.2445

٠.	٠.,	030 IU 3	10					
	40	European	Opening	(P	8:00	 .	GMT	

European Curreny Unit

Eurocurrency Interest R	Date: V11/91			
Currency	1 MTH	3 MTHS	6 MTHS	12 MTHS
U.S. Dollar	4.93	5.06	5.06	5.18
Sterling Pound	10.31	10.31	10.12	10.06
Deutsche Mark	8.93	9.25	9.25	9.25
Swiss Franc	7.87	8.12	8.25	8.18
French Franc	8.93	9.12	9.18	9.18
Japanese Yen	6.21	6.15	5.93	5.65
European Currency Unit	9.56	9.81	9.87	9.87

Precious N	letals	als Date:			
Metal	USD/Oz	JD/Gm*	Metal	USD/O2	,JD/Gm
Gold	355.75	6.90	Silver	4.055	.089

Contral Bank of Jordan Exchange Rate Bulletin

Сигтевсу	Bid .	Offer
U.S. Dollar	0.684	0.686
Sterling Pound	1.2080	1.2140
Deutsche Mark	0.4156	0.4177
Swiss Franc	0.4733	0.4757
French Franc	0.1216	0.1222
Japanese Yen*	0.5269	0.5295
Dutch Guilder	0.3690	0.3708
Swedish Krona	0.1128	0.1134
Italian Lira*	0.0555	0.0558
Belgian Franc	0.02017	0.02027

Other Currencles	Date: 2/11/9			
Сигтелсу	Bid	Offer		
Bahraini Dinar	1.7850	1.7950		
Lebanese Lira*	.0772	.0777		
Saudi Riyal	0.1821	0.1831		
Kuwaiti Dinar		-		
Qatari Riyal	0.1855	0.1865		
Egyptian Pound	0.2000	0.2100		
Omani Riyal	1.7510	1.7610		
UAE Dirham	8.1855	0.1865		
Greek Drachma	.3620	.3700		
Cypriot Pound	1.4775	1.4600		

Per	100				
CAB	Indices	for	Amman	Financial	Market'

Index	23/10/91	Close	30/10/91	Close
All-Share	124.01		124.66	
Banking Sector	104.67		105.45	
Insurance Sector	125.21		125.08	
Industry Sector	153.58		154.00	
Services Sector	131.29		132.52	

publics, including Russia. The Russian Congress of

People's Deputies, or parlia-ment, also approved Mr. Yelt-sin's demand fur increased political powers to implement the reforms.

Winning approval too was a measure to give Mr. Yeltsin and the republie's standing legislature, the Supreme Soviet, the right to override national laws that hinder economic reform.

Mr. Yeltsin has staked his political future nn a plan of radical economic change that Russian and Suviet officials have discussed since the beginning of Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika reforms, but never carried out.

free prices by year's end on nearly all goods; cut nearly all subsidies to state-run industries and gradually privatise them; shift funding to social welfare programmes; allow the private sale of land and buy \$100 million in argently needed farm equipment.

Mr. Yeltsin said Thursday the prices for certain basic goods including milk, bread, food, salt, gasoline, coal and even vodka - would still be regulated by the government, the TASS news agency reported.

The measure on Mr. Yeltsin's additional powers gives irim the ability to reorganise all levels of executive power and freeze most local elections until Dec. 3,

Japanese current account surplus continues to grow

TOKYO (R) — Japan's runaway current account surplus continued to gain steam in September, nearly doubling from the same month a year ago as imports slumped.

The nation's unadjusted current account surplus widened to \$8.83 billion from \$4.63 billion a year earlier, the finance ministry (MOF) said Friday.

"The surplus is going to continue to grow, but not because of exports," said Paul Summerville, economist at Jardine Fleming Securities Ltd in Tokyo. "We are seeing a collapse of import

Despite predictions by many economists to the contrary, a MOF official tried to play down the politically sensitive numbers, telling reporters he did not believe the recent expansion in Japan's current account surplus would continue

"We doo't think Japan's current account surplus has structurally been on an uptrend," he told reporters.

The merchandise trade surplus was largely responsible for the from \$7.77 billion in September 1990, with economists laying the blame squarely on weak import

Imports sagged to \$16.04 billion for the month against \$17.39 in September 1990.

While softer economic condi-

hixury goods such as European antomobilies and art work, several one-off factors weighed heavily

In September 1990, oil prices climbed in the lead up to the Gulf war and gold imports were unusually high because many securities houses had set up goldinvestment funds. Both sent imports up sharply, making this year's look small in comparison.

Kazuko Mizuno, economist at Baring Securities (Japan) Ltd., said that as much as 90 per cent of the cause behind the weaker imports can be attributed to distor-

tions of a year ago. As the full impact of Japan's slowing economy continues to feed through into the trade figures, however, imports will remain on weak footing, Mr. Mizu-

no added. On the other side of the trade equation, recent robust exports which have drawn criticism from Japan's trading partners, climbed to \$26.99 billioo from \$25.16 billion a year earlier.

growth to weak demand in Asia gain, climbing to \$10.95 billion." and Europe - two areas that had recently shown a healthy appetite for Japanese goods.

Economists attributed the slow

Asian economies are slowing down because of the recession in the United States.

In Europe, meanwhile, economies have also been slowed by high German interest rates, ecotions have stunted demand for nomists said.

Allied-Lyons, Carlsberg to combine operations in Britain next year

LONDON (AP) - Allied-Lyons PLC and Denmark's Carlsberg A.S. are to merge their British brewing operations into a joint venture company.

The 50-50 venture will be called Carlsberg-Tetley PLC and begin operating in March with 5,000 employees, both companies have said. Analysts said the combination would have 18 per cent of the British beer market, with Allied-Lyons representing 14 per cent. The deal requires the approval of the Office of Fair Trading.

Allied-Lyons said the venture company would have a strong range of brands, including its own Skol, Lowenbran, Tetley Bitter, Castlemaine XXXX and Burton Draught. The Danish company is bringing its Carlsberg and Tuborg lagers to the venture.

The joint venture will supply Allied-Lyons 6,000 pubs, Allied-

Allied-Lyons will contribute net assets of £265 million (\$458 million), and Carlsberg net assets of £245 million (\$421 million), Allied-Lyons said.

Operating profits of the interests, being contributed by Allied-Lyons to the venture totalled £58 million (\$100 million) in the year to March 2, while operating profits of the interests being contributed by Carlsberg to the venture totalled £44 million (\$76 million) in the year

The company declined to provide sales figures.

Bush urges Americans to buy houses, cars to spur economy

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — President George Bush is trying to put a good face on glum economic news by urging Americans to go out and buy a new home or car to get the sluggish economy perking again.
"Some of the liberal Demo-

crats that control this Congress think the only chance they have to defeat me is to talk this country into hard times," Mr. Bush charged in an interview Priday with Houston television station KHOU.

"The lack of consumer confidence worries me, because if they hear all this bad news all the time, people are going to get gloomy about it," said Mr. Bush. "It's a good time to buy a house. It's a good time to buy a car."

Mr. Bush targeted his Democratic critics in Congress, singling ont Senate majority leader George Mitchell, for the sharpest

The president charged Mr. Mitchell was trying to force him to veto a jobless benefits bill again for "demagogic" purposes.
"If he sends me down a bill that's going to bust the budget agreement, I'm going to veto it and send it right back," said Mr. Bush. "He is not going to dish it out and then be unable to take

"I refuse to catch his javelins anymore," Mr. Bush said. He bluntly urged the Federal Reserve Friday to lower interest rates to boost the recovery, which Mr. Bush insisted was under way despite Friday's rise in the unemployment rate to 6.8 per cent and the first decline in eight months in the index of leading economie

But he said the gross national product grew 2.4 per cent in the third quarter and the jobless rate is "substantially lower than it was in the heights of the last reces-

He predicted the economy will be "driving factor" in the 1992

Mr. Bush was basking in 90 per cent approval ratings earlier this year after the Gulf war. But his ratings have tumbled as the economy sputtered and Democrats charged he was spending too much time abroad and neglecting problems at home.

The United States got more bad news on its sluggish economy Friday as the government said unemployment had risen and the longer-term outlook showed no sign of improvement.

The bleak reports fuelled speculation that the Federal Reserve (Fed), the central bank, may be forced to cut interest rates again, possibly early next week, to give the stalled economy a kick to get

it moving out of recession.

The jobless rate rose to 6.8 per cent in October from 6.7 per cent while payrolls unexpectedly fell, the Labour Department said in the government's first report of how the economy performed last

The Commerce Department's index of leading indicators, designed to forecast economic activity about six months into the future, slipped by 0.1 per cent in September after being unchanged in August. It was the first decline since the index fell 0.6 per cent in January.

The Fed's policy-making open market committee is scheduled to "I don't want to be a rosy meet Tuesday to discuss the eco-

The Fed has already cut the rate it charges member banks for loans four times since December.

Many economists had expected the Fed to cut the rate a halfpoint on Friday morning in re-sponse to the economic data, and now looked for a rate cut early

"As far as the Fed is concerned, the handwriting is on the wall," said Ward McCarthy of Stone McCarthy Research Associates Inc.

Southwest Bank of St. Louis. often a rate trendsetter, trimmed the prime rate charged on loans to its best customers to 7.75 per cent from eight per cent. Major banks were expected to wait for a clear signal from the Fed before trimming their rates.

While the increase in the jobless rate had been expected, economists were surprised the number of jobs outside the farm sector fell by 1,000 instead of rising by 20,000 as had been anticipated. The Labour Departmeot did say, however, that 48,000 jobs were added to payrolls in September rather than

the 24,000 previously reported. "The October labour market indicators show continued weakness in the demand for workers," said Janet Norwood, commissioner of the Bureau of Labour Statistics. "The nation's jobless rate, at 6.8 per cent, has essentially been in a bolding pattern since

Edward McKelvey, senior economist at Goldman, Sachs Co. Inc., said the reports "raise considerable questions about the durability of the recovery." While the data do not indicate

the economy is slipping back into

Georgians improvișe

recession, "they certainly suggest the initial phase of the recovery failed to generate the kind of job growth that makes recoveries go

forward," he said. Many analysts were worried by signs that manufacturing, which had been one of the few bright spots in the economy, lost 32,000 nbs in October after losing

31,000 in September. The poor labour market has weighed heavily on consumers, whose confidence has slipped

dramatically in recent weeks. The expectation of lower interest rates sent the dollar lower, while treasury bond prices ralhed. But traders said a rate cut already had been built into stock prices, which recovered earlier

The central bank acted last week to lower the federal funds rate, which banks charge each other for loans. The rate slipped to nearly five per cent from its target level of 5.25 per cent.

In other reports, the Commerce Department said new home sales fell by 12.9 per cent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 446,000 units, the biggest monthly decline since in a 13.2 per cent decline in February 1989.

The department also sharoly revised downwards its estimate on August new home sales. Instead of a robust gain of 6.7 per cent, sales were up just 1.8 per cent cent.

The Commerce Department also said consumer incomes rose by 0.5 per cent in September after 0.4 per cent August gain. Spending by consumers went up-a relatively sturdy 0.9 per cent after an anaemic 0.1 per cent August

Institutes forecast upturn for eastern Germany next year

BONN (R) — East Germany's economy has turned the corner and will stage a strong recovery next year, five leading research institutes and the German central bank have said.

But they warned that exagger-ated wage agreements and high state deficits could still jeopardise the fragile upswing.

"The steep decline of the east German economy appears to German economy," he noted. ive stopped." wrote in their annual autumn

report on the economy.
"So far, unification has not overburdened the German economy but it could still do so," said Willi Leibfritz of the Munich-based IFO Institutes as

he presented the report. The two Germanys merged their economies in July 1990, abruptly eposing east Germany's antiquated state firms to cutthroat competition on world mar-

The institutes forecast that the economy of the former communist state would expand by 12 per cent in 1992 after shrinking by 19.5 per cent this year and 13:4 per cent in 1990.

They expected west Germany's gross national product (GNP) to expand by a real 3.5 per cent in 1991 after 4.5 per cent in 1990, with growth slowing to two per cent in 1992.

"But this is not yet the broadbased strong recovery (in the

doch's News Corporation has un-

veiled plans to raise 682 million

dollars (\$536.7 million) to cut

debt through a float of its Austra-

lian printing and magazine busi-

News Corporation said it

would float 55 per cent of the new

company, to be called Pacific

Magazines and Printing Ltd., to raise 382 million dollars (\$300.6

The international media group,

which has to pay back a \$600

million bridging loan by Febru-ary, will raise a further 300 mil-

lion dollars (\$236 million)

It is the second major fund-

raising exercise by News Cor-

poration, whose debts totalled

10.7 billion dollars (\$8.4 billion)

on June 30. Last month it

ennounced a \$175 million share

Analysts said the market would

welcome the float by News Cor-

poration, whose shares plunged to a six-year low of 3.19 dollars

through a loan for Pacific.

ness and a new loan.

million).

News Corp unveils

new financing plans

SYDNEY (R) - Rupert Mur- (\$2.5) in January on what chair-

east) everyone has been waiting

for," Mr. Leibfritz said.
"The driving forces for a selfsupported growth process are still lacking. Too many activities are being stimulated by state funding, too many companies... are not finding their way to competitiveness and too many wage demands are being met which exceed the productivity levels of the east

Bundesbank, came to a similar conclusion in its October report saying there had been no improvement in the east German labour market.

Both the Bundesbank and the institutes appealed to the Bonn government to rein in runaway

The institutes expected unemployment in east Germany to continue rising, averaging 18.9 per cent of the workforce in 1992 after 11.9 per cent in 1991. They lashed out at what they described as unreasonable wage demands by unions.

Elsewhere in their survey, they said west Germany's cost of living would rise by an average four per cent in 1992 after 3.5 per cent in 1991. Its inflation rate was 2.7 per cent in 1990.

The institutes expected the cost of living in east Germany to surge 12 per cent in both 1991 and 1992 after a decline of 2.7 per cent in

man and chief executive Rupert

Under the terms of the Pacific

float, News Corporation is offer-

ing one Pacific share at 3.40

dollars (\$2.7) for every three

shares or convertible notes held.

ed a net loss of 392.88 million

dollars (\$390.2 million) in the

year to June 30, will retain 45 per

cent or 92 million shares in the

new company, and the public 112

But Mr. Murdoch's family company Cruden Investments.

thich owns 43.25 per cent of

News Corporation, will not be taking part. "Cruden Investments

will not be taking up their rights."

to Australian shareholders only.

In February News Corp se-cured an \$8.2 billion debt restruc-

ture, including a \$600 million

bridging loan which is due for

repayment in February...

The shares will be offered first

a spokeswoman told Renters.

News Corporation, which post-

Mnrdoch later described as a

severe liquidity crisis.

ing used auto parts that people bring into his shop.
"We never ask where the parts come from," Mr. Shanidze says

with a snicker. "We only sell them. Shortages are a fact of life throughout the Soviet Union. There are ingenious ways around them and even ways to make them profitable. Some say the

sign a new economic treaty. Georgia can't get enough auto parts, gasoline, heating oil and a lot of other things. Demand is

need for improvising is especially

great now in Georgia, one of four

high. So is theft.
"Finding a shock absorber (or) a transmission is one of the hardest things to do," Mr. Shanidze said last week. "Keeping them on your car is also difficult."

Eight republics signed the economic treaty on Oct. 18. The accord is designed to ensure they keep supplying each other with necessary goods, and its signers have threatened to reduce trade ties with republics that didn't

Georgia's Prime Mioister Vissarion Gugushvili says that may already be happening. Shipments of refined petroleum products, which mostly come from Russia, have plunged, he said in a recent interview. "We have not received one

pallon, one drop of oil from Russia under existing agreements in the past week," he said. "A ship that was bound for the port of Batumi snddenly turned around." Some Soviets say Georgia, one

of the most fiercely independence-minded republics, has only itself to blame. Last

amid shortages TBILISI AP) - Merab Shanidze month, the TASS news agency said Mr. Gugushvili ordered a does a brisk little business resellban on food, industrial goods and

Mr. Gugushvili, however, insisted Georgia was keeping its

construction materials to other

Whatever the reason, while Georgia tries to go its own way politically and economically, citizens are having trouble just getting around.

"It takes twice as long for a bus to come," said Gia Amiranashstood waiting for a bus with two dozen other people.

That's because half the buses are usually idle because of the gas shortage, said Alex Tavtavadze; the transportation ministry's economy chief.

He said the oil shortage could pose problems as demand increases at oil-fired electricity plants in Georgia this winter. A slowdown in building materials from Russia also has halted

reconstruction of thousands of homes damaged in the April 29 carthquake in Georgia that killed at least 114 people, Mr. Tavtavadze said. Gas. cars and auto can be purchased, he said, but only at higher commercial rates, as

opposed to the lower prices the republics charged each other before they began considering themselves separate countries. But in some cases the shortages have produced booming alternative businesses. Many people get their gas from gypsy truckers who load up in Russia and become

mobile filling stations in Tbilisi. Recently, four tankers parked on a dusty lot serviced a stream of motorists, not only filling their tanks but canisters in their trunks. As a result, rear-end collisions here can be lethal.

FOR RENT

Furnished studio consists of one bedroom, kitchen and bath. Location Shmelsani near Birds Garden. Annual rent. Tel: 667862

CAR FOR SALE

Lancia Delta 1988, excellent condition, customs paid, owner leaving for England. Tel. 644495

TWO DELUXE APARTMENTS **FOR RENT**

Location: 600 metres off 7th Circle, Airport Highway. 1st consists of:- 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, very spacious sitting, dining rooms, 6x6 metre kitchen, oak wood, total area 360.

2nd: three bedrooms, one maid's room, 3 baths, terraces, sitting, dining etc. Total area 340 metres. For information please call Mr. Madanat.

Jordan Times Tel: 667171 Tel: 823200

Tel: 634144 Tel: 677420 PHILADELPHIA CONCORD Adel Imam HARD TO KILL SHAMS AL ZANATI (Arabic) Shows: 3:30, 6:15, 8:30, 10:30 Shows: 12:30, 3:30, 6:15, 8:30, 10:30 p.m. Tel: 625155 Tel: 675571 RAINBOW Nabil Al Mashini Theatre **SOMERSAULT TIME PLAY** SNAKE EATER Starring 'Abu Awwad Family'. After the great success it achieved continues its shows daily at 8:30 p.m. Please buy your tickets in advance Show: 3:30, 6:30, 8:30 p.m.

Yeltsin says Russia can join world with new constitution

dent Boris Yelfsin said Saturday a new draft constitution for his republic would free Russia of ideology and enable it to become
a full-fledged member of the
world community.

Presenting the constitution to Russia's supreme legislature, Mr. Yeltsin said the document sought for the first time in seven decades of Soviet history to give priority to the individual and to human

rights.
"The draft contains secure legal guarantees against totalitarianism, against supremacy of ideology and against violence being a state ideology," he told nearly 1,000 deputies in the Kremlin.

"A constitution adopted by a Jotalitarian society cannot be a basis for a new society. Adoption of the new constitution would enable Russia to join the world community as an equal."

Congress of People's Deputies at the close of a week-long session which approved his radical plan to introduce a market economy and granted him vast powers to sweep away conservative opposition to it.

He views the new constitution as the centrepiece of his battle to ensure that Communist values discredited after last Angust's failed hardline coup against President Mikhail Gorbachev do not come to dominate Soviet society

The Communist Party, since suspended or banned throughout much of the country, remains legal and active in the Russian Parliament and Mr. Yeltsin can expect considerable opposition to

The Russian leader, hero of resistance to the coup, said adop-tion of the constitution, was vital to his radical reforms, brought in after he was accused of inaction in the weeks following the collanse of the plot.

For the first time, a Russian constitution does not make an individual subject to the state,"

"Neither the Communist Party, nor the nation, nor any other party, but rather the individual himself is the supreme value. Observance of human rights is the main task of the state."

He suggested the constitution could be put to a republican referendum, the easiest way of parrying opposition to its provi-

immediately spoke out against the document, which is subject to parliamentary revision. The draft is absolutely unacceptable from both a conceptual and moral standpoint," one

Some speakers in the chamber



Russia 'ready to deport' Honecker

HAMBURG (R) — Russia is former east Germany severely prepared to deport former East German Communist leader Erich Honecker if Bonn applies for his return to face trial, the Soviet republic's justice minister said.

Nicolai Fyodorov told the Bild newspaper that if Bonn applied to Russia for Mr. Honecker's return, the republic would begin the process of extradition.

"The core of the matter is that Honecker will be sent back there, since he was illegally hrought here," Mr. Fyodorov was quoted

as saying.
Mr. Honecker, wanted in Germany on manslaughter charges prising from shoot-to-kill orders to guards at the Berlin Wall, was spirited out of eastern Germany this year and taken to Moscow for

npset Germany's legal system. His entry (into Russia) was illegal." Mr. Fvodorov was quoted as

saying in remarks to be published in Saturday's edition of Bild. "He must be removed from the territory of sovereign Russia," the minister said.

Asked what the republic would do if Mr. Honecker refused tn return voluntarily to Germany," Mr. Fyodorov said:

"If he doesn't agree with his repatriation, we will approach the relevant legal organs to deport him in other words the Interior Ministry and the KGB."

The comments appeared to be an about-face from last week, when Mr. Fyodorov denied reports Russia was planning to extradite Honecker to Germany, bypassing the Soviet Justice Ministry.

German Justice Minister Klaus Kinkel said after a visit to Moscow last week Soviet anthorities had shown understanding for Bonn's argument that 79-year-old Honecker should be returned. But he received no assurance of

Mr. Honecker, East German leader for almost two decades until forced to resign by popular protests in October 1989, said in a television interview last month he was willing to return only if authorities dropped all charges

In the Bild interview, Mr. Fyodorov stressed that although there was no extradition treaty between Bonn and Moscow, the Germans should make a legal

application to Russia.

backed South Vietnam govern-Student kills 4, then himself, in U.S.

> duled this month. He said six American teams will investigate reports of live Americans sighted since the war, excavate a plane crash site, iden-

Hanoi wants to end the U.S. embargo against Vietnam and restore normal diplomatic ties with its former enemy in hopes of receiving international aid for its battered economy. But the United States has said that progress

Last April, Vietnam agreed to The Vietnamese government

the normalisation plan Washington has presented.

"We are hoping for the best but at the same time we are still very cautious because experience has shown us if we meet nne condition (to normalisatinn) the U.S. imposes another," said Mr.

when Washington announced it would begin high-level normalisa-tion talks with Vietnam this

Vietnam, U.S. discuss MIA issue

BANGKOK (AP) - Vietnamese and U.S. experts have met to discuss ways of speeding the accounting of Americans missing from the Vietnam War, the official Voice of Vietnam radio said Saturday.

It said the twn sides met Wednesday and Friday in Hanoi and discussed ways to implement an Oct. 2 agreement between Foreign Minister Nguyen Manh Cam and Gen. John W. Vessey, a special U.S. presidential envoy.

The hroadcast said the talks were frank and "yielded positive results," but did not say if they agreed on any specific ways to speed up the search for some 1,600 Americans listed as missing in action or MIA, in Vietnam. The war ended in a 1975 Communist victory over the U.S.-

The radio Foreign Ministry official, Le Bang, has said the 15th and largest joint U.S.-Vietnamese MIA search is sche-

tify remains and work on high priority cases.

in resolving the fates of MIAs is a prerequisite for normalising rela-

let the United States open an MIA office in Hanoi, the capital. desperately wants diplomatie re-lations with the United States and criticises as too long and unfair

Le Bang in an interview. Expectations were heightened

as new Zambia

DUBROVNIK, Yugoslavia (R) tian rehels, fighting for the mediaeval tourist port of Duhrov-nik, battled with machineguns around the city's ontskirts Saturdent Kenneth Kaunda.

Spnradie gunfire could be beard in towns and villages about a kilometre from the city centre during the morning and in the hills overlooking the besieged

Fighting

flares

again

around

Dubrovnik

The shooting followed renewed heavy shelling by the army and navy Friday, pounding Croatian militia positions around the residential districts of Gruz and

The luxury Hotel Palas, on the tip of the Lapad peninsula a kilometre from the old town centre, was hit five times by artillery from land and sea.

A woman and four children were killed in a car crash when they tried to flee the army shell-

ing Friday. Some 50,000 men, women and children have been trapped in the city for more than a month by an army and navy blockade in a campaign to force the surrender nf rebel Croatian militiamen.

Fighting was reported else-where around Croatia Saturday with artillery, multiple-rocket

launchers, planes and mortars. Croatian Radio said MiG fighters bombed and rocketed Osijek, 50 kilometre south of the Hungarian border, as well as the town of Grubisno Polje and a nearby

Heavy fighting was also reported in Vukovar, a Danube River town where 15,000 Croats have been holding out against an army siege for more than two

After a week-lnng truce in Dubrovnik the army told civilians on Friday to stay away from Croatian millitia positions, saying its new policy was to return fire from the city vigorously. "We advise people to avoid areas from which militiamen are

shooting at the army because we will reply fiercely. Only the nid town will be spared," Colonel Lukic, an army spokesman, told a news conference in nearby Tre-

man Catholic republic of 4.5 million people, declared itself independent from Yugoslavia on June That sparked an uprising by the

republic's 600,000 Orthodox Serbs, who have been backed hy the Serbian-led army in fighting which has left more than 2,500 dead since June. World attention has focused on

Dubrovnik because of its beautiful mediaeval and renaissance walled centre which has made it a favourite attraction for foreign

The United States, Britain, France, Italy and the United Nations criticise the army last week for a campaign that has caused widespread damage to surrounding villages and woodlands.

While the army appeared de-

termined to carry out its vow to Disarm Croatian rebels in Dubrovnik, the government of Serbia was debating whether to accept a European Community nitima-

The EC, trying to keep the fighting from empting into a full civil war in the country of 23.5 million people, has put forward a plan to rearrange the Yugoslav

Chiluba sworn in president

LUSAKA (R) - Frederick Chiluba, a 48-year-old trade union leader, was sworn in Saturday as Zambia's president following the election defeat of veteran Presi-Chief Justice Anel Silungwe

administrated the oath of office in front of the two-storey red brick high court house in Lusaka. Mr. Chiluba, a diminutive figure standing only five feet (1.5 metres) tall, swore into a lowered microphone to uphold the con-

stitution and the law "without fear, favour or ill will." The swearing-in, watched by thousands of euphoric Zambians, took place at noon (1000 GMT) as a cooling breeze swept the normally sweltering sonthern

African capital. Hours earlier, Mr. Kaunda had conceded defeat in a graceful broadcast in which he also said he intended to continue working in

the opposition. Kaunda's defeat by an overwhelming margin in Thursday's presidential and parliamentary elections marked the first time a top African statesman had been ousted by popular vote - and

departed gracefully. to congratulate President decisions to get the economy on Frederick Chilnba sincerely," Mr. Kaunda told the country in a the international donnr combroadcast about two hours before munity. the 48-year-old trade union lead-

er was to be sworn in. Thousands of jubilant Zambians flashing the thumb-and-Democracy (MMD) convered on the high court for the swearing-in

Mr. Kaunda, 67, and his Unpower since indepedence from Zambians, Britain in 1964. Mr. Kaunda bent to overwhelming popular demand late last year to end 17 years of single-party rule, opening the way of power could act as a model for. for Mr. Chiluba's landslide vic- other Third World nations mov-

tory. ;. . With wore counting still under way, UNIP had won only a handful of places in the 150-seat parliament, while Mr. Chiluha's domination of the presidential attended as observers.



Mr. Kaunda leaves a considerable legacy of problems. Zambia is virtually bankrupt with a fore-ign debt of \$7.8 billion banging

True to my word, I would like ment face tough and unpopular

might news conference Friday in which he announced Mr. Kaunda

our hearts ... he has a place and we must ensure onthing is done to ited National Independence Party harass him, he is one of us ... he (UNIP) had held uninterrupted must feel he is a Zambian among Both Mr. Kaunda and Mr.

tions and the peaceful transition

multi-party elections next year,

Burmese Nobel laureate ill after hunger strike

BANGKOK (R) — An exiled Burmese opposition group said activity around her house. There Saturday that Nobel Peace prize has been no such story going unearthed in winner Aung San Suu Kyi was around in Rangoon. critically ill in Rangoon after going on hunger strike.

The opposition National Coali- 1989. tion Government of the Union of Burma said in a statement it was concerned about the condition of the detained opposition leader

It said Mrs. Aung San Sou Kyi, 46, had stopped eating after the Burmese military government refused to let her see a visiting United Nations human rights team last month.

Diplomats in Rangoon, said they were extremely sceptical about the report of the hunger

"I have always been extremely sceptical about anything the parellel government puts out. I don't believe they have any access to information about Mrs. Aung San Suu Kyi that would not otherwise leak out here," oue

Mrs. Aung San Sun Kyi has Hong Kong

been under house arrest since Geir Lundestad, director of the

Nnrwegian Nobel Institute, said in Oslo Friday that Mrs. Aung San Sun Kyi had started a hunger since she began a fast eight days strike after the terms of her house arrest became more restrictive but he did not know if it was continuing. "The conditions of her bouse

arrest have become stricter. The soldiers whn used to be stationed outside the family home were moved inside and she started a hunger strike against this," Mr. Lundestad said.

"Sbe started the hunger strike earlier this year, before the prize was awarded."

Dr. Lundestad said she had learned of the Nobel award and was delighted by the news but concerned by the harsh conditions of her isolation and by the situation on her country.

would have wanted to see," Mr.

corners of his eyes.

Marcos declared as tears lined the

The air-conditioned remains of

Josefa Marcos have laid unburied

for more than three years in a

family mausoleum because the

family wants the late president and his mother buried together.

The government has filled tax

evasion charges and at least two

civil cases against Mr. Marcos Jr. He is one of the Marcos family

members named in more than 30 civil cases filed by the govern-

ment to recover punitive damages

of up to \$100 billion for alleged

Ferdinand Jr. has dismissed the

cases as political harassment. Meanwhile, an exoberant Im-

ili-gotten wealth.

"As I leave state house to leave for my farm (in northern province) ... I would like to thank all Zambians whn made it possible

for me to serve them in many

capacities before and after inde-

pendence," Mr. Kaunda said in

his broadcast. "I tried to do my best for Zambia and if 1 failed in any way it is not because 1 did not try to do

nation," be said.
"This election demonstrates the nature of mutli-party politics: You win some and you lose some.

This is not the end of the world." He added that "in a few days I shall return and with my people will begin to lonk at strategy and prepare to be the opposition.

over its 7.8 million people.

Mr. Chiluba and his govern-

track and win the confidence of The new president, at a late

had conceded, called nn Zamforefinger sign of Chiluha's bians to respect their defeated Movement for Multi-Party leader. "He is the founding father of our nation and he must remain in

Chilnba said the Zambian elec-

ing to political pluralism.

Officials from neighbouring

Angola and Mozambique, former Marxist states that plan to hold

"There has been no untoward unearthed in

HONG KONG (R) — Hong Kong workmen excavating a site for a new yacht cinh have uncarthed thousands of ancient Chinese coins up to 1,400 years old, the South China Morning Post newspaper said Saturday. It said a workman's pick pierced a clay pot filled with some 2,400 coins, believed to be the biggest cache found in the British colony to date. They are from the Sui, Tang and Song dynastics spaar-ning the years 581 to 1297 A.D. The last major finds were of 300 coins in 1980 and another thousand in 1962, archaeologist William Meacham said. He said Chinese people used to bury money for safety or possibly out of superstition. Hong Kong Museum of History specialists are

Cash-strapped irish Army shout 'bang' on exercise

DUBLIN (R) - The Irish army's budget is so low that reserve: soldiers have to shout "bang bang" on exercises because they have no live ammunition, an opposition deputy told parlia-ment. Madeleine Taylor-Quinn said morale was very low and there was no cash to load guns for target practice. Defence Minister Brendan Daly did not deny her claim in parliament but insisted that morale in the reserve force

Bangladesh port on snake alert after guards kili 22 cobras

in a den at a housing estate for port workers, police said. The cobras were found Thursday by children. Security guards dug up a cave and killed 22 snakes. Two escaped. Many residents slept cisewhere, fearing the snakes that escaped might return. About 1,600 Bangladeshis are killed by snakes each year, according to

Marcos' son arrested in Philippines, posts bail

Ferdinand Marcos Jr, the first member of the Marcos family to return after almost six years in about one hour.

Philippines on Thursday from Singapore, ahead of the scheduled arrival of the ex-president's widow, Imelda Marcos Monday. "We heard they were intending to arrest him within 48 hours, so I accompanied him to the (police)

He was fingerprinted and re-leased on bail of 50,000 pesos (\$1,850) after signing his arrest warrant at Camp Crame Police Headquarters.

ment," Mr. Coronel stated.

Philippine Congress. "Now the judge can set the date for his trial and arraign-

ters in the province before decidvince of Ilocos Norte, his late Marcos family to return to the Philippines since the 1986 revolt

Screaming women tried to pull Mr. Marcos Jr. from his car and crowds cheered him as he toured town after town in his father's home province of Ilocos Norte, 400

kilometres north nf Manila. Thousands of people flashing V-fnr-victory signs lined the streets to catch a glimpse of him as his 60-car convoy drove by. Some had pot up banners saying "the future president" and

"I'm very happy. I love it," the younger Marcos said during a break in his tour which tesembled a campaign for a seat in the

for May 1992, but said he

consult his late father's

He did not say if he would run

He was the first member of the

which ended his father's 20-year

He said he had come hack to prepare for the hurial of his father, whose remains have been

waved small red, white and blue flags of the late president's New Society Movement (KDL) political party, which was decimated when Corazon Aquino was swept to power in the bloodless 1986

Mr. Marcos said it was time for Filipinos to bury the legacy of his father's rule and start afresh.

He flew Friday to his father's علذا منه للمل

elda Marcos, heading home after

six years in exile, said she may defy the Philippines government and take back to Manila the body of her late husband, the country's former president. If she does so, it could scuttle

her trip back.

COLUMN

excuse to harm

Prince says no

Symber

in fance

 $\chi_{\mathcal{F}} \chi_{\omega, \mathcal{F}} = \{ \chi_{\omega} : \chi_{\omega} \in \mathcal{F}_{\omega} : | \chi_{\omega} \in \mathcal{F}_{\omega} \} \}$

 $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n}$

15. The 17. The

20,000

. **sa** (contrar :

*.:`<u>-2</u> .: - . •

warr. i.:

A wighter on

Tari District di

ACTUAL VALUE OF

The season of

FF in Autoria

mutainen k

Maria Teore

d- 2 . . . 2

Charles Ter

Arrestona from

-- States To

Carlo /Lerva

Bou sales of

79109918 #410

1416E267

ille – Libyan Je

State For Sur

Noncocionio

10000mi

A STATE OF THE

Con Contain

the carry he

tit destiled vi

And Tale in t

The state of

Marcan or Songara

The state of

E la like ise

The Name on F

el Greed post a

right California

Sarday in w is in continue

State Prote

Deputy Min

Witten Plan Willow Co

d begging the S

1.00 Sta

a ise of th

environment BANGKOK (AP) — Britain's Prince Philip has said that indus-trialists in the last century were unaware they were harming the environment, but people today no longer have any such excuse. The prince, in Bangkok to receive an honourary degree for his work in protecting wildlife and the environment, said new techpologies allow industry to reduce its impact on the environment, "Designers and manufacturers can no longer escape their responsibility by pleading ignor-ance," he said. "There is no longer any excuse for owners and shareholders to be unaware of the potential (harm) their developments will cause if they do not specify in advance that the design nust incorporate cleaner technology," he said. "These technologies evist," he added. "It just takes the will to see that they are designed into the system." He said people need to see their direct connection with the environment and understand how they can make a difference, but "the power to make the critical decisions rests with people who are professionally engaged in activities that impact on the natu-

3 men flogged publicly for adultery

ral environment.

LAHORE (R) - Three Pakistani men found guilty of adultery were publicly flogged Friday in a stadium packed with thousands of people chanting Allah-O-Akbar (God is Greatest). The flogging. carried ont in the Punjab town of Okara after the Muslim Friday prayers, was reminiscent of pullic floggings during the martial law rule of the late military ruler Mohammad Zia-Al Haq. The witnesses said two of the men were given 30 strokes and seven years imprisonment, while the third received five strokes and five years in jail. Public floggings are carried out occasionally in Pakistan's tribal areas, but this was the first since the mid-1930s in the settled parts of the country. The crowd chanted Allah-O-Akhar when the first stroke of the long cane came down on one of the men, witnesses said. The right arm of the man who carried out the punishment was tied at the elbow to restrict his arm movement as prescribed under Islamic injunctions, jail authorities said. "All of them (convicts) walked up to the jail bus after being flogged," one official said.

examining the coins.

was "quite high."

CHITTAGONG, Bangladesh (R) — Guards at Bangiadesh's Chittagong Port killed 22 cobras the institute of public health.

. medical treatment. ... "His transportation out of the ∛Mobutu, opposition appoint rival

governments KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — A defiant President Mobutu Sese Seko and opposition leader Etienne Tshisekedi appointed rival governments Friday, and

two Western ambassadors met with the opposition to show their Belgian paratroopers guarded foreigners on the last day of an evcuation from this strife-torn nation and prepared to pull out,

despite fears that Mr. Mobutu's

troops would kill opponents. A Belgian diplomat said all paratroopers have been withdrawn from the interior of this central African nation. The diplomat said they would begin leaving Kinshasa Saturday and the last tinits would leave Zaire by Tues-

France and Belgium have been pressuring Mr. Mobutu to share power or step down. Instead, Zaire's ruler for 26

years appointed a 33-member government led by Bernardin Mungul-Diaka, a man once jailed for embezzling state funds. Mr. Mungul-Diaka was named prime minister after Mr. Mobutu fired Mr. Tshisekedi last week. All major Western envoys ignored the brief ceremony at which the new government was installed at N'Sele, 30 kilometres

upriver from Kinshasa where Mr. Mobutu has been staying on a moored boat. Instead, the ambassadors of Belgium, Zaire's former coloniser, and France met with Mr. Tshisekedi after be appointed his shadow government. His 18minister cabinet, drawn from the opposition Sacred Union Coalition, duplicated most members of

the government Mr. Mobutu fired last week. Belgium and France have refused to back Mr. Mungul-Diaka saying his government did not have the support needed to lead

Zaire to democracy.

At Friday's meeting, Mr. Thisekedi repeated an opposition call for Belgian troops to stay in the country to avert a feared massacre hy Mr. Mnbutu's troops.

Mr. Tshisekedi called for the

He also asked citizens to remain calm and civil servants to cooperate with his government. "We will use all legal means to set people to support the Sacred Union government," be said, emphasising his resistance to Mr.

Mobutu's rule was non-violent.

army to "side with the people."

WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — A student upset about not getting an academic honour shot and killed four people Friday at the University of Iowa before fatally shooting himself, a school official said. Two other people were critically wounded, authorities said. The dead included faculty members and a student who had won the honour. The gunman was identified as Gang Lu, a graduate student in physics from China, said Ann Rhodes, vice president of university affairs. He had filed a complaint with the emic Alfairs Office because his nominated for an academic award, she said. Lu shot three members of the school's Physics and Astronomy Departments and another graduate student from China in one classroom, then went to the administration building and shot an associate vice president for academic affairs and a staff member. Ms. Rhodes

21 killed in South Korean bus crash SEOUL (R) - Twenty-one South Koreans were killed Saturday when a bus taking them to a wedding skidded off a bridge and plunged five metres into a mountain valley, police said. The driver and about 20 passengers were injured in the crash near the eastern town of Inje. A police spokesman said 17 people died on the spot and fnur others in hospital. Yonhap News Agency said police and soldiers helped in rescue work after the accident, which

occurred in thick fog. Police said a brake failure might have

Huge blast reported in North Korea SEOUL (R) - A South Korean military observation post has reported a huge explosion and flames in a North Korean town near the border between the two Koreas, a Defence Ministry spokesman said Saturday. The spokesman said the ministry was unable to determine what caused the hlast at Pyongyang seven kilometres north of the military demarcation line in the early hours of Wednesday. "Taking into account the scale of the flames and sound, it is believed that there was an explosion either in a

large-scale armoury or an oil storage tank," the spokesman said.

Roh losing popularity, survey says SEOUL (R) - South Korean President Roh Tae-Woo's public approval rating has plunged to the lowest level in three years amid concern over the nation's growing economic problems, according to a survey. Only 15.2 per cent of 1,500 people polled said Mr. Roh was doing well compared to 25.4 per cent in a similar survey in January. Mr. Roh's plummeting popularity comes at an awkward political moment with South Korea facing major elections next year. Mr. Roh cannot succeed himself hut he intends to guide his ruling party to continued dominance. Both surveys were jointly conducted by the influential Chosun Ilbo newspaper and Korea Survey (Gallup) polls. "President Roh's public support rating this time is the lowest since we began

conducting such polls three years ago," the newspaper said. Cuba denounces U.S. war games

HAVANA (R) — Cuba Friday denounced U.S. war games and evacuation exercises which it said have speeded up since Oct. 1 at the American military base at Guantanamo, on the Caribbean island's southeastern coast. "Since that date, Washington has built up its military equipment in the enclave... under the pretext of the situation created by the coup in Haita," the Cuban News Agency Prensa Latina said Friday, quoting an editorial in the Communist Party daily Granma. It said that base last month staged a mock evacuation, presumably of disaffected Cubans," inciting the nearby Cuban population to illegally abandon the country." The editorial said U.S. planes and helicopters violated Cuban airspace between Oct. 23 and Oct. 25, flying over Cuban troops, in one instance. It said Cuba's External Relations Ministry had fired off a complaint on Oct. 26 to the U.S. interests section

in Havana, which declined any comment Friday. 9 killed in Indian firework blast

NEW DELHI (R) — At least nine people were killed and 10 injured in an explosion in a firework factory Saturday in the southern state of Kerala, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported. The news agency said the blast occurred at Mavelikkara town when firecrackers were being manufactured for Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights. It did not give details.

MANILA (R) — The son of Mr. Marcos gave himself up ousted Philippine dictator Ferdiafter returning to Manila from a nand Marcos was arrested briefly trip to his northern home proon charges of tax evasion Saturday, but was later released after father's stronghold, where he was posting bail, his lawyer said. mobbed by thousands of suppor-Lawyer Antonin Coronel said ters and hailed as a possible future president.

exile, voluntarily gave himself up to police, and was detained for Mr. Marcos flew back to the

and be voluntarily surrendered,"
Mr. Coronel told reporters.

love the Marcos family."

kept in a refrigerated crypt in Honolulu, Hawaii, since he died In Ilocos Norte, supporters

hometown of Batac where he kissed the coffin of his grandmother as the people hailed him for office in general elections set as the future head of state.